



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Mahan

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO TRAVEL AND
EXCUSED ABSENCE

DATE: November 18, 2022

Recommendation:

1. Authorize travel and related expenses for Councilmember Matt Mahan to attend the Program for New Mayors at Harvard Kennedy School of Government from November 30 – December 2, 2022, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.
2. Excuse my absence from the Smart Cities Committee on December 1, 2022, due to Authorized City Business to attend the Program for New Mayors in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Location:

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Meeting Dates:

November 30 – December 2, 2022

Source of Funds:

Bloomberg Philanthropies
(Program Tuition, Lodging, Airfare, Program Meals, and Ground Transportation in Massachusetts)

District 10 Funds and/or Personal Funds (Additional incidental expenses not covered by Bloomberg Philanthropies)

Purpose:

Attend the Program for New Mayors at Harvard Kennedy School of Government from November 30 – December 2, 2022, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. This seminar for newly elected mayors is a dynamic, integrated, non-partisan program for incoming mayors and mayors who have recently taken office from US cities with populations of 75,000 or greater. The program began in 1975 as a collaboration between the Institute of Politics and the United States Conference of Mayors. It gives new mayors access to respected thinkers and practitioners in the public policy arena. In addition, this convening provides mayors a priceless opportunity to build relationships with their colleagues from cities across the country and across the political spectrum, as well as the opportunity to discuss common goals and challenges away from the pressures of city governance.