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CITY OF SAN JOSE
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Memorandum

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

FROM: **Councilmember Lan Diep**

SUBJECT: **AUTHORIZE TRAVEL TO SEATTLE, WA**

DATE: **March 7, 2018**

Approved Lan Diep Date 3/8/18

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize Councilmember Lan Diep's travel to Seattle, WA from May 23-24, 2018 for the CityAge Conference.

Authorization for:	Councilmember Lan Diep
Location:	Seattle, WA
Travel Dates:	May 23-27, 2018
Source of Funds:	District 4 Office Budget (Personal travel after May 24th will be paid for with personal funds.)
Purpose:	To attend the CityAge conference using Seattle as a case study of the New American City. The conference will assemble leaders from all sectors to discuss issues such as major infrastructure investments; how to build an inclusive city; autonomous vehicles; building housing for the future; public spaces; private-public partnerships; and data as a city-building tool. Seattle and the Silicon Valley share a love of tech, soaring housing costs, and cultural diversity. But our two regions have taken different approaches to similar problems with divergent results. Seattle has moved forward with tiny homes, it has multiple cranes dotting its skyline, and has much experience serving as the headquarters to tech giants like Microsoft and Amazon. Councilmember Diep hopes to gain insight into what Seattle is going right, and to bring those best practices back to San José.