



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Johnny Khamis
District 10

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TRAVEL &
EXCUSED ABSENCES

DATE: April 6, 2018

Approved by:

Date:

Johnny Khamis (signature) (initials)

4/6/18

Recommendations:

- (1) Authorize travel for Councilmember Johnny Khamis to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) May 4 – 9, 2018 with a business and technology delegation to encourage investment by the KSA in San José and the Silicon Valley.
- (2) Excuse absences from the regular meetings of the City Council on May 8th, and the Budget Study Session and Rules & Open Government Committee and Committee of the Whole meetings on May 9th.

Location: Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Travel Dates: May 4 - 9, 2018

Meeting Dates: May 5 - 8, 2018

Source of Funds: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Purpose: The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has expressed interest in providing \$1 billion of new investment in business ventures within San José and the Silicon Valley. Councilmember Khamis will travel with representatives of The SVO, Google Ventures, and other venture capital and entrepreneurial leaders, and will have the opportunity to interact with top Saudi officials, including members of the House of Saud, to promote opportunities for investments that will support entrepreneurship and economic growth within the City of San José.