

City of Dallas Legislative Travel Policy

**Ad Hoc Committee on
Legislative Affairs**

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Legislative Travel Overview

- Each fiscal year funds are set aside for legislative expenses, including Mayor and City Council member legislative travel
- The City currently has policy related to use of these funds (last updated in September 2006)
- The funds must be used to pursue:
 - Items on the Dallas City Council approved federal or state legislative programs
 - A matter set forth in a written request from the City Attorney or City Manager to the Mayor or Chair of the Legislative Ad Hoc Committee
- Prior approval **must** be obtained for use of legislative travel funds
- Funds cannot be used for travel to annual conferences such as the U.S. Conference of Mayors, National League of Cities, or Texas Municipal League

Proposed Revision

- Revise Section 3 of the current Legislative Travel Policy
 - Current Policy
 - Prior approval will be obtained by the Legislative Ad Hoc Committee, if time permits, or by one of the following three individuals: the Chair of the Legislative Ad Hoc Committee, the Mayor, the City Manager
 - Proposed Change
 - Prior approval will be obtained by the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs, if time permits, or by the Mayor or the City Attorney

Next Steps

- If approved by the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs, the proposed change will be placed on the next available City Council agenda for consideration

Discussion



Appendix



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