



Conference/Seminar Summary

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To: The Honorable Mayor & City Council
Council Meeting Date: _____

City Council Member: Vanessa Quiroz-Carter
Conference/Seminar: League of California Cities Conference & Expo 2022
Location: Long Beach
Dates of Travel: September 20th-22nd 2022

Please provide a brief report on the conference, seminar, or meeting you attended.

I attended the League of California cities conference and Expo in Long Beach, CA from September 20th-22nd, 2022. This conference is host to leaders from all sections of government, from elected officials to city staff. On Wednesday I attended the open general session of the conference, which included a welcome from the mayor of Long Beach, Robert Garcia, State of Cal Cities Annual report from Carolyn Coleman, Nominating, Committee Report from Randi Jolh, the presentation of the Past Presidents' Lifetime achievement award, and the Keynote Address from soccer coach Jill Ellis. I then attended a session on Making Equity Stick: City Charter Revisions and other Systemic Changes. During this session, I was pleased to find that many of the suggested implementations of equity and public engagement are already being implemented by the City of Watsonville. I then attended the Grand Opening Expo Hall and Host City Reception, where I spoke with other city officials and met several vendors. On Thursday I attended the Monterey Bay Division meeting where I met with city officials from the Monterey Bay. I then attended a session on Creating More Equitable and Resilient Communities, where I heard from the mayor of Salinas, Kimberley Craig and Deputy City Administrator/Chief Resilience Office from Oakland, Joe Devries.

*At the conclusion of the event, a brief report on the conference or seminar attended at the expense of the City must be presented to the City Council at the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.
Government Code Section 53234*

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