



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Pam Foley

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO TRAVEL
AND EXCUSED ABSENCE

DATE: August 1, 2024

Approved:

Date: August 1, 2024

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation: Authorize travel for Councilmember Pam Foley to Dublin, Ireland from September 8-13, 2024, for the Dublin Sister Delegation Trip, and excuse my absence from the September 9, 2024 Transportation & Environment Committee meeting, September 10, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting, and September 11, 2024 Rules & Open Government meeting.

Location: Dublin, Ireland

Meeting Dates: September 9-12, 2024

Source of Funds: District 9 Council Office Budget and personal funds.

Purpose: San José has a strong sister city relationship with Dublin, Ireland, which was established by the City Council in 1986. The sister city linkage has resulted in San José-Dublin collaboration in education, economic development, the arts, community engagement, government, and other initiatives. The four-day stay will include meetings with the Dublin City Council and Government, the Irish National Government, and the Dublin Chamber of Commerce. This will be my first delegation travel to Dublin, Ireland, as a Director on the Sister Cities International (SCI) Board. SCI plays a crucial role in building bridges between communities across the globe while continuing to advance the ideals and mission championed by President Dwight Eisenhower, by promoting cultural exchange, economic cooperation, and mutual understanding. SCI contributes to a more interconnected and harmonious world.