City of La Quinta

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: July 7, 2015

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: AUTHORIZE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGER TO ATTEND CALIFORNIA JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL FORUM FROM SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2015 IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize overnight travel for the Human Resources/Risk Manager to attend the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Annual Educational Forum from September 23 through September 25, 2015, held in San Francisco, California.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) provides innovative risk management solutions through their different programs and services, including the City's liability, workers' compensation and property insurance coverages.
- CJPIA holds annual educational forums for its members to provide them the needed tools to keep active and up-to-date on a variety of risk management topics.

FISCAL IMPACT

Estimated expenses are \$900, which includes airfare, hotel and meals. Funds are available in the Human Resources budget under the Travel, Training, and Meeting accounts.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

CJPIA's 15th Annual Educational Forum will include information on ADA compliance, cyber liability, negotiating agreement terms with vendors, understanding the Annual Contribution calculations, handling difficult conversations, anatomy of a liability lawsuit, liability update on recent case law, and a number of other best practices topics associated with the risk management industry.

ALTERNATIVES

The Council could deny this travel request. However, the topics covered at this conference provide the opportunity for the Human Resources/Risk Manger to stay abreast of trends and issues that impact City liability insurance and insurance premiums.

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