



COUNCIL AGENDA: April 8, 2008

ITEM: 2.12

Memorandum

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Barbara Attard

SUBJECT: Approval of Business Travel

DATE: March 28, 2008

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Independent Police Auditor's request for approval of business- related travel to accept the invitation of the Humboldt County Human Rights Commission and the Humboldt County Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union to participate in a forum on the topic of the possible increase of civilian oversight in Humboldt County.

BACKGROUND AND FURTHER INFORMATON

The Humboldt County Human Rights Commission and the Humboldt County Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union in conjunction with the League of Women Voters are sponsoring a forum to discuss perspectives on the practical issues of establishing greater civilian oversight of law enforcement activities in Humboldt County. The forum will take on April 10 at the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors' Chambers.

The list of participants is:

- County Sheriff Gary Philp
- Eureka City Police Chief Garr Nielsen
- Kay Howden, Eureka Police Officers' Association
- Barbara Attard, Independent Police Auditor for San Jose, CA,
- Robert Aaronson, Independent Police Auditor for Davis & Santa Cruz, CA
- Christina Allbright, Chair of the Redwood American Civil Liberties Union and the Coalition for Police Review, and attorney with the Public Defender's Office

Source of Funds: No cost to the City of San Jose. The Humboldt County Human Rights Commission and the Humboldt County Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union will cover my expenses as a forum participant. This will be reported as a gift.

During my absence on April 10 and 11, 2008, Shivaun Nurre, Assistant IPA, will handle business matters regarding of the Office of the Independent Police Auditor.

BARBARA ATTARD
Independent Police Auditor