



Memorandum

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM Councilmember Sam
Liccardo**

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO TRAVEL

DATE: September 29, 2011

Approved

Date

9-29-11

Authorization for: Councilmember Sam Liccardo

Location: Hong Kong and Shenzhen

Meeting Dates: October 25 - 28, 2011

Source of Funds: U.S.-China Exchange Council

Purpose: The Silicon Valley-China Business Connect is leading a delegation from San José /Silicon Valley to Hong Kong and Shenzhen for a weeklong series of meetings with businesses in China seeking to expand overseas, a goal of creating jobs and tax revenue in San José. I will also be meeting with airlines, seeing to establish direct routes to the San Jose Mineta International Airport. I have worked for the last 1 ½ years with the Office of Economic Development to form a consortium of business service providers that could work together to create a "landing pad" for investment here in San José. This is our "maiden voyage" in that effort.

Approve Councilmember Liccardo's travel to Hong Kong and Shenzhen to serve as one of the City of San Jose's designated representatives

cc: Dennis Hawkins, City Clerk