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Honorable Members of the City Council  
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### **[African American Mayors Association (AAMA) – 2025 Annual Conference]**

Dear Honorable Council Members,

This letter comes as a request to the City Council for the enactment of legislation authorizing the Mayor and Chief of Staff to attend the African American Mayors Association (AAMA) Annual Conference in Washington DC on April 16<sup>th</sup> to April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

The cost of registration is not to exceed \$1,100.00 per person, with the entire trip including transportation, incidentals, and hotel should not exceed \$6,000.00. (Six thousand dollars). The cost of the travel, hotel fees, and incidentals will be expensed from budget A 1210.402 – Travel

The AAMA 2025 Annual Conference is the largest convening of African American mayors in the country, bringing together America's city executives of the most diverse communities and neighborhoods. This conference presents an occasion to converse with decision-makers in the public sector and an opportunity to share successful strategies and new ideas. In alignment with the theme, "The Power of Now", all in attendance, from mayors to corporate executives, will engage and connect with vital stakeholders about the collective power of municipal leadership and partnership to impact the future of our cities.

Please see the attached link for the most "up-to-date" schedule of events.

<https://www.aamaconference.com/schedule>

In Service,

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