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Memorandum 19-135

TO: MAYOR CASTNER AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK

DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2019

SUBJECT: TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS TO ATTEND THE

ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 69TH ANNUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE

IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA NOVEMBER 18-22, 2019

The Alaska Municipal League (AML) 69th Annual Local Government Conference is scheduled in Anchorage, Alaska, November 18-22, 2019.

The AML is a voluntary, nonprofit, nonpartisan, statewide organization of 140 cities, boroughs, and unified municipalities, representing over 97 percent of Alaska's residents. Originally organized in 1950, the League of Alaska Cities became the Alaska Municipal League in 1962 when boroughs joined the League.

Meetings include Newly Elected Officials (NEO), Alaska Conference of Mayors, board committees and meeting with Legislators.

Cost estimates for travel include round trip airfare from Homer to Anchorage at \$250 and room rates at \$118 per night. Per diem is \$58 per day, for three meals. Conference registration for NEO only is \$250, NEO and Annual Conference is \$500, Conference only is \$300.

For FY 2019 Council budgeted \$5,000 for transportation, \$5,000 for subsistence, and \$1,700 for training. Transportation Acct. No. 100.0100.5236, has a balance of \$2068; Subsistence Acct. No. 100.0100.5237, with a balance of \$3381; and Training Acct. No. 100.0100.5206 has a balance of \$1075.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve attendance for Mayor and up to three Councilmembers at the AML Annual Conference, and up to two Councilmembers at the Newly Elected Officials training.