



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of BIS

Date April 20, 2009

To: **The Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair, Ways and Means Committee**

Subject: **Donation from Unisys for the City's CIO to attend the Intergovernmental Technology Conference.**

Recommendation Authorize proper city officials to accept a donation for the CIO's travel expenses to attend the Intergovernmental Technology Conference in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,500.

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Chief Information Officer

Approved by Steven Bosacker _____
City Coordinator

Presenter in Committee Lynn Willenbring

Policy Review Group Not Applicable

Permanent Review Committee (PRC) Approval Not Applicable

Financial Impact: No financial impact.

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget or Operating Budget.
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves.
- Business Plan: Action is within the plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department's finance contact prior to the Committee Coordinator.

Community Impact (use any categories that apply) – Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

Unisys Corporation requests the participation of the City's Chief Information Officer, Lynn Willenbring, on May 20 at the Intergovernmental Technology Conference (ITC) in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The ITC is a conference and exposition designed specifically for state, city, county, and federal government professionals. ITC is recognized as the premier government technology conference in the mid-Atlantic region.

Ms. Willenbring's participation is requested for educational purposes. The ITC provides a venue where professionals from government and the vendor community present and exchange information about trends, services, lessons learned, best practices and other topics related to the use of information technology in government. This year's agenda includes a session on "IT Governance and Shared Services." Unisys is requesting that Ms. Willenbring present her experiences with the City and its use of these important concepts – IT Governance and Shared Services - to improve service to citizens while reducing expenditures. Unisys believes this is an important message for governments at all levels and Ms. Willenbring is the perfect person to deliver it. Unisys is willing to donate a gift in an amount equal to Ms. Willenbring's travel expenses to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, not-to-exceed \$1,500.