REPORT

DATE: November 1st, 2007

TO: Administration Committee and Regional Council

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SUBJECT: International Conference on Hinterland Development and Strategies of the Pyeongtaek Port, Korea

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Approve SCAG staff to attend the international conference on "Hinterland Development and Strategies of the Pyeongtaek Port" in Seoul, Korea on November 29th, 2007.

BACKGROUND:
SCAG was invited by Professor Hee Seok Bang, Dean of College of Social Science and Director of the Port Logistics Research Center at Chung-Ang University, to attend the international conference on "Hinterland Development and Strategies of the Pyeongtaek Port " in Seoul, Korea on November 29th, 2007.

This conference is hosted by the City of Pyeongtaek and organized by the Port Logistics Research Center, Chung-Ang University. The purpose of the conference is to discuss how to develop the City of Pyeongtaek containing the Pyeongtaek Port as a major center of the goods movement.

SCAG is expected to make a presentation on policy and experience of SCAG for the regional planning and development linked with the cargo flow of the Los Angeles/Long Beach Ports at the conference. SCAG is also expected to provide post graduate students with a lecture on goods movement strategies in Southern California at Chung-Ang University.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The City of Pyeongtaek and the Port Logistics Research Center will pay for any travel related expenses.

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Mr. Jim Gosnell,
Deputy Executive Director, SCAG

Dear Mr. Gosnell

This is an official invitation letter for you to visit Korea from 28th November to 4th December and to give a Speech in the conference on 29th November 2007 here in Seoul. The main topic for the conference is " Hinterland Development and Strategies of the Pyungtak Port." I hope you could present on the issues relating to " Guideline of the Regional and Hinterland Development linked with Port Complex(on concentration with lessons to be learned from LA/LB Port) Meantime During your visit I hope you can give 50 mins lecture for our post graduate students about Issues relating "Goods Movement Strategies in Southern California"

I am pleased to inform that we can cover the travel expanse during his visit including economy class air ticket from LA to Seoul. I am sure that your visit will be invaluable for not only our students but policy makers both transport and city planner here in Korea.

I must show my many thanks in advance for your cooperation on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Hee Seok Bang PhD
Dean, College of Social Science
Director, Port Logistics Research Centor