# Request For City Commission Contingency Funds City Department

Name of Responsible Manager: Kurt Lannon

Date of Request: November 27, 2006

Mayor/City Commissioner Signature

Name of Department Requesting Funds	City Commission
Amount Requested (minimum of \$2,500)	\$2,417.50
Expected Date of Expenditure of Funds	December 2006
Reason for Request: (please provide detailed explanation)	Annual (2007) Membership dues for the Florida League of Mayors (\$1,000), the New Cities Project (\$1,000) and Sister Cities International (\$417.50)

Category of Request: (please check one)		
Consulting Fees related to special study (please provide scope of services)		
Unanticipated Repairs (include name facility, extent and description of repairs needed, and alternative action)		
Grant Match (include name of grant, grant agency and % of matching funds needed)		
Office relocation expenses (include relocation address and reason for move)		
Pilot Program (include name and description of program and expected start date)		
Special Event (include name & date of event)		
Capital Equipment (include description and reason for emergency need)		
Other (please explain)	X	New Organization/Affiliation

Date

Florida League of Mayors P.O. Box 1757 Tallahassee FL 32302-1757

800-616-1513 Ext. 266

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Bill To:

City of Gainesville
P.O. Box 490, Station 6
Gainvesville FL 32602-0490

# PLEASE RETURN COPY OF INVOICE WITH PAYMENT. THANK YOU

Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for IRS purposes.

Qty Item Number	Description			Unit Price	Ext. Price
1 MEMBERSHIP	DUES October 1 - Sep	tember 30 Annual Dues	•	\$1,000	\$1,000.00

Amount \$
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Subtotal	\$1,000.00
Misc	\$0.00
Tax	\$0.00
Total	\$1,000.00



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# Dear Mayor:

On behalf of the Florida League of Mayors, I am writing to invite you to become a member of our association. The Florida League of Mayors was established last year to provide a platform and vital services for leaders like you. I am very excited about the work we are already doing. The Florida League of Mayors is on its way to becoming the definitive voice for mayors in our state.

Your active participation in our organization is critical as we work to make our communities the best possible places to live, work and raise our families. As you know, mayors are on the forefront of important issues and I invite you to add your voice and talent to the FLM as we make a positive difference in the lives of Florida's citizens.

I know that you will appreciate the benefits offered by this organization; which among other things, allows for the exchange of ideas and experiences addressed by hundreds of mayors every day. Moreover, the FLM offers unparalleled training and professional development opportunities, uniquely designed for a very special group the Florida mayor.

Please take the time to review the enclosed membership brochure and find out all that the Florida League of Mayors has to offer. Then, become an active member today.

If you would like to learn more about the Florida League of Mayors, please feel free to call me at (850) 891-2000. If you have questions, please contact our Executive Director, John Charles Thomas at (850) 222-9684. I look forward to welcoming you as a new member in the very near future.

Sincerely,

John R. Marks III,

President, Florida League of Mayors

Mayor, City of Tallahassee



National Steering Committee:

Mayor Rocky Anderson Salt Lake City, Utah

Mayor Tom Bates Berkeley, California

Mayor Dave Cieslewicz Madison, Wisconsin

**Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan** Gainesville, Florida

Mayor Rosemarie Ives Redmond, Washington

Randy Primas, COO Camden, New Jersey

Joel Rogers, Director Center on Wisconsin Strategy

# INVOICE

To:

City of Gainesville 200 E. University Ave. Gainesville, FL 32601

Date of Invoice: October 17, 2006

Expenditure	Subtotal	Total	
Programming investment / fee for the New Cities Project. For calendar year 2007.	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
	Grand Total	\$1,000.00	

# Make check payable and return to:

University of Wisconsin (FEIN 39-600-6492) 7122 Social Science 1180 Observatory Drive Madison, WI 53706

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(608) 262-8794 (608) 262-9046 (fax) www.newcities.us

# HE NEW CITIES PROJECT?

The New Cities Project was launched in February 2005 by Madison, Wisconsin Mayor Dave Cieslewicz and the Madison-



Madison Mayor Dave Cieslewicz

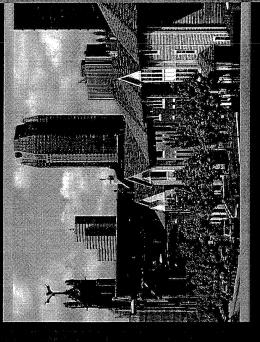
based policy center, COWS (Center on Wisconsin Strategy), Since then, we've held semiannual meetings that provide mayors and their staff a forum to learn from one another and develop innovative urban policies, Our goal is to put cities on the "high road" — a path of prosperity inclusiveness, environmental sound management, and democratic responsibility, accountability, In doing so, we aim to prove that cities are not the source of America's economic and social problems, but are instead the crucible of many of the best ideas and strategies for solving these problems. In recent years, federal and state policies towards cities have not recognized this value and, while we hope to change this, our focus is on developing innovative policies that help cities achieve "high road" goals now, regardless of what's happening in state and federal politics.

New Cities' twice-a-year meetings are informal and relaxed but packed with substance. New Cities mayors pick a policy area important to their cities, invite one or two national experts on the topic, and sit down over a couple days to discuss and develop city strategies in these areas. Mayors have a chance to share their experiences, get advice from other mayors and experts, and then continue to receive support upon returning home. It's the "conversation in the hallway" that is often rushed at busy national meetings but can prove to be incredibly useful in advancing our goals.

New Cities does not aim to compete with other national organizations of local elected officials. These organizations do important and good work, which we hope to complement by providing an opportunity for a smaller and more intimate discussion of innovative policies we can implement today, If you want to join the New Cities Project, contact us at 608.262.8794 or info@newcities.us.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FUTURE MEETINGS, CONTACT:

INFO@NEWCITIES, US WWW.NEWCITIES.US 608,262,8794



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# PRAISE FOR THE NEW CITIES PROJECT



"The New Cities meetings have provided an infimate setting for face-to-face discussion with other mayors who are pursuing the same goals, but may be doing so in widely varied ways."

— Mayor Rocky Anderson Salt Lake City, Utah



"Progressive mayors need a forum to discuss emerging trends and to share innovative ideas.
The New Cities Project provides that forum."
— Mayor Pete Clavelle
Burlington, Vermont



"The New Cities meetings are a great sortunity to meet with like-minded mayors from around the country."
— Mayor Marty Blum Santa Barbara, California



"[The New Cities Project] pushes forward the envelope of thinking about cities as essential instruments of American social and economic

Dr. Henry Cisneros
 Fmr. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
 Fmr. Mayor of San Antonio, Texas



experts on urban issues was invigorating, practical, and provided innovative ideas that we could start working on immediately."

— Randy Primas

Chief Operating Officer "The exchange with like-minded leaders and

Camden, New Jersey



# NEW CITIES MEETINGS PROVIDE A FORUM TO:

# LEARN

The New Cities Project is a collaboration between policymakers and research experts, connecting mayors to research relevant to policy issues in their home cities and states.

# EXCHANGE

Many of the best policy ideas discussed at New Cities meetings — in housing, energy, transportation, economic development — come from one of our member cities. New Cities meetings provide a forum for mayors to share their best practices.

Between meetings, the New Cities listserve allows mayors, their staff, and research experts to remain in contact throughout the year. In addition, the New Cities website (www.newcities.us) has information on new policy innovations, best practices, case studies, model legislation, background research, communication tools, and access to technical assistance.

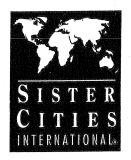
# NNOVATE

At each New Cities meeting, we aim to send mayors back to their home cities with three to four new policy ideas they can implement immediately. In the absence of a strong commitment to urban policy from federal and state governments, the New Cities Project can help mayors build a high road urban economy today.



# 2006 Membership Application

<b>Annual Dues</b>	(SUS)						
Population More than 1,000,000 500,000-1,000,000	Dues	<b>50% Dues</b> \$932.50 \$792.50	<b>Population</b> 5,000- 10,000 Under 5,000	<b>Dues</b> \$235 \$140	50% Dues \$117.50 \$70	Non-Voting Members Corporate	<b>Dues</b> \$1,000
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DITY OF GAINESVILLE CITY COMMISSION

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November 10, 2006

The Honorable Pegeen Hanrahan City of Gainesville 200 East University Ave. Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mayor Hanrahan,

The valuable representation in the media of your partnership with Duhok, Iraq and others sister cities attracted our attention. The article in <u>The Gainesville Sun</u> on October 2, 2006 detailing the activities of your potential partnership, exemplifies the ideals of the citizen diplomacy movement. Sister Cites International would like to work with your community to further develop your existing partnerships.

Thank you for considering membership with Sister Cities International. Sister Cities International is a nonprofit citizen diplomacy network that creates and strengthens partnerships between U.S. and international communities. We strive to build global cooperation at the municipal level, promote cultural understanding and stimulate economic development.

As a nonprofit citizen diplomacy network, Sister Cities International can help to strengthen and support your sister city relationship. With membership to our organization, your city will gain access to valuable programs and networks utilized by nearly 2400 partnerships. Specific member benefits include:

- Discounted rates at the Annual Conference, which will be held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, July 18-21, 2007
- Access to the Youth and Education Network, providing exchange and visa assistance
- Networking capabilities through the Online Member Database, which connects your community to Sister City programs nationally and internationally

(For a full list of member benefits, please visit our website at <a href="www.sister-cities.org/MemberBenefits">www.sister-cities.org/MemberBenefits</a>)

Apply for membership by November 20<sup>th</sup> and receive 50% off 2006-2007 annual dues. Please refer to the enclosed membership application for details. Please contact the Membership Department at <a href="membership@sister-cities.org">membership@sister-cities.org</a> or (202) 347-8630 for more information. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you to further the citizen diplomacy movement.

Sincerely,

Christina P. Wesson

Acting Membership Director &

State Coordinator Liaison

Enclosure

Lauren McKim Membership Assistant



Sister Cities International is an excellent way for your community to establish close relations with one or more international communities. These partnerships allow your community to creatively learn, work and solve problems through cultural, educational, municipal, business, professional and technical exchanges and projects.

# BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP TO SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL:

- ❖ Official listing of your community in the Sister Cities International Membership Directory and Online Directory
- ❖ A subscription to all Sister Cities International publications including quarterly issues of the Sister Cities International Newsletter, our new e-newsletter, and <u>instructional</u> <u>toolkits & guides</u> to aid in all development aspects of your local program
- ❖ The opportunity for your community to apply to the <u>Sister Cities International</u> <u>Network for Sustainable Development</u> and the <u>Youth and Education Network</u> in order to work on projects like economic development and youth exchange
- Special access to the <u>Members Only</u> section of the greatly enhanced Sister Cities International website, <u>http://www.sister-cities.org</u>
- ❖ The opportunity for your community to **network** with all members of Sister Cities International in order to share and employ other program information through a comprehensive database and search engine
- ❖ Eligibility for your community to receive "Seed Grants" and other **grant opportunities**
- ❖ The ability to involve your community in the international campaigns for local US Sister Cities sustainable development projects, and youth and education programs, through Sister Cities International's targeted fundraising website,

# http://www.supportsistercities.org

- ❖ The opportunity for youth to be involved at both the local and international level by competing in the <a href="Showcase of Young Artists">Showcase of Young Artists</a>
- Personal attention from your <u>State Coordinator</u>
- Private consultation services from Professional Staff experts