



Broomfield City Council Training and Travel Report

Elected Official Name: Bob Gaiser

Date of Travel or Training: January 10-13, 2013

Description of Travel or Training: NLC Leaders Planning Meeting-with Officers, Board of Directors, Committee, Council, Panel Chairs and Constituency Group Leaders

Total Amount Expended: Airfare:	\$ 317.60
Hotel	\$ 597.00
2 day Per Diem:	\$ 132.00
1 day Per Diem:	\$ 66.00
Misc.	\$ 52.00
Total:	\$1,164.60

Total Paid by Broomfield:	\$ 501.60
Total Paid by NLC	\$ 663.00

How this Travel or Training Benefitted the Citizens of Broomfield:

Broomfield is a member of the National League of Cities, the national organization representing municipal governments throughout the United States. Its mission is to strengthen and promote cities as centers of opportunity, leadership, and governance. www.NLC.org

Working in partnership with the 49 state municipal leagues, the National League of Cities serves as a resource to and an advocate for the more than 18,000 cities, villages, and towns it represents. More than 1,600 municipalities of all sizes pay dues to NLC and actively participate as leaders and voting members in the organization.

I was re-elected President of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Local Officials at the NLC Conference in December. As a result I am now in a leadership role in the planning of the National League of Cities. This gives me a place at the Leadership position where I can represent both Broomfield and the State of Colorado in direction of the NLC.

Because of my submission of two resolutions in Boston in December for marriage equality and equality in taxes for gay and lesbians, I negotiated a panel on DOMA in the March meeting in Washington, D.C. for the FAIR committee. They will be re-submitted again in March. I also was able to invite the first gay Senator Tammy Baldwin to speak in Washington, D.C. to the conference.

During this meeting we adopted the following four lobby position for the NLC:

1. Sales Tax for Internet Sales
2. Restoration of the interest on municipal bonds
3. Immigration Reform
4. Gun Violence

Thursday, January 10

6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception and Dinner

Renaissance Hotel

- Reception: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
- Dinner: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Guest speaker: Harrison Coerver

Harrison Coerver is co-author of *Race for Relevance: 5 Radical Changes for Associations*, which provides a bold, non-nonsense look at today's marketplace - and what it will take for associations to prosper tomorrow. Coerver will share highlights from the book and provide his perspective on how NLC can best position itself to be relevant to city officials and federal policy makers.

Friday, January 11

7:45 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Group Breakfast for Meeting Participants

Renaissance Hotel

8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

January Planning Meeting: Morning Session

- **Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Objectives**
- **Brief Board meeting to approve Financial Audit**
- **Review/Summarize Dinner Speaker's Remarks**
- **Preview NLC's 2013 Legislative Agenda**
- **Preview of White House Meeting**

9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Boarding the Buses to the White House Executive Office Building

Meet at/near the hotel concierge desk for boarding the bus. (Government-Issued Identification Required for Admittance)

9:30 a.m.

Bus Departs for the White House Executive Office Building

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**January Planning Meeting: Mid-morning Session
*White House Executive Office Building***

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The Administration: What's the Agenda and the Administration's Position?

Briefing with key Cabinet and White House officials

1:00 p.m.

Group Lunch for Meeting Participants

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Collaborative Working Session on Creating a Relevant Association

Facilitated by Elizabeth Bailey

The group will engage in a discussion on the challenges facing NLC and the role the NLC Board and Committee Chairs can play in guiding the organization in this time of transition. The session will be facilitated by Elizabeth Bailey, a top marketing communications strategist with more than 20 years of experience working with some of the nation's leading corporations, professional associations and non-profits. Bailey conducted a similar work session with the State Municipal League Directors in August.

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Wrap Up

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Group Dinner for Meeting Participants

Saturday, January 12

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Group Breakfast for Meeting Participants

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. January Planning Meeting: Morning Session

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Review/Summarize Friday's Work

NLC's 2013 Legislative Agenda: What and How?

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Roundtable Discussions: Developing strategies for engaging cities, state municipal leagues, and NLC leadership as advocates for NLC's 2013 Legislative Agenda

(Staff will move groups to breakout sessions.)

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Report from roundtable discussions.

Wrap Up and Adjournment

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Group Lunch for Meeting Participants

Renaissance Hotel