

Broomfield City Council Training and Travel Report

Elected Official Name: Dennis "Denny" McCloskey, Ward 2

Date of Travel or Training: Jun 21-Jun 24, 2011

Description of Travel or Training: CML Annual Conference

Total Broomfield Reimbursements: \$200.00

Transportation, \$66.55 (mileage 121mi @.55mi) Hotel \$151.54, Conference Registration \$200.00 (all meals incl.) at Council Member's expense: \$218.09 (includes mileage, hotel, registration, and <u>all</u> other reimbursements)

Council was provided documents that included items for consideration for this upcoming year's legislation. Of primary focus were changes in HHS process and requirements. A primary concern was impact of JPPHA on local jurisdictions. What happens when communities plan together, then abruptly change course. A primary goal for Broomfield in this conference is to maintain a steady voice for regional planning and working together to achieve perceived goal. No comments, concerns or issues were submitted for me to bring forward from other council. I was the only council member to attend.

I voted for candidates on behalf of Broomfield in this year's election of officers. It is important for us to support board members who share our vision and commitment to a complete Fastracks build out, US 36 BRT, increased water storage for the Metro area, and the willingness to support each other in this economic downturn.

There were two sessions of interest regarding the situation with bonds and the availability of small amounts being available from the state. The reality of bonding without insurance, the consideration of whether to proceed with taxable or tax-exempt bonds, and concern about what decisions will be made concerning CDBG funds being reduced at a time of significant increased need. Revenue from sales tax is likely to be an increased challenge that will require consideration of further reduced services, infrastructure improvements, and staff reductions along with hiring freezes.

Attended the General & Plenary sessions to hear speaker insights for Colorado Cities, Towns, and Villages. The comments made by Governor were encouraging for the State of Colorado, especially in comparison with other states. Flat or very slow growth seems to be the consensus.

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