

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 7

SUBJECT: APPROVE OUT-OF-COUNTRY TRAVEL FOR COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO REPRESENTATIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE JAPAN CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE US-JAPAN PROGRAM ON HEALTHY AND RESILIENT AGING (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

In accordance with San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) Policy D-7, *Out-of-County Business and Related Guidelines and Processes*, and Administrative Code section 470(h), this is a request to approve out-of-country travel for the Chair Pro Tem, San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to participate in the Japan Center for International Exchange (JCIE) one-week learning tour in Japan.

JCIE, in partnership with AARP, invited County policymakers, leadership and community partners to join the tour, scheduled for this winter, based on the County's recognized leadership in implementing the Aging Roadmap and advancing age-friendly initiatives. The goal of the tour is to foster collaboration and information-sharing across regions to address common issues facing aging societies and creating age-friendly environments. The tour will focus on shared challenges facing aging societies, with a special emphasis on social isolation as well as disaster preparedness and response, which align with the County's Aging Roadmap priorities.

Furthermore, in-person attendance is essential, as it will allow County representatives to participate in site visits, engage with Japanese policymakers, researchers and service providers, and gain first-hand insights into innovative, age-friendly practices that cannot be fully replicated through virtual participation. This opportunity is offered at no cost to the County, with JCIE covering airfare, accommodations, and related program expenses.

Today's action requests the Board authorize out-of-country travel, in accordance with Board Policy D-7, *Out-of-County Business and Related Guidelines and Processes*, and Administrative Code section 470(h), for the Chair Pro Tem of the Board to participate in the JCIE one-week learning tour in Japan this winter.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR PRO TEM PALOMA AGUIRRE

Per Administrative Code section 470(h), authorize Chair Pro Tem of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors out-of-country travel to Japan to participate in the Japan Center for International Exchange one-week learning tour scheduled for November 29 through December 6, 2025.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Continuing to support those most disproportionately affected by social isolation, disasters, and emergencies is a priority for the County of San Diego (County). Building on ongoing cross-departmental and community collaboration, and the priorities outlined in the Aging Roadmap, County staff continue to seek innovative ways to address the needs of the most vulnerable populations.

Participation in this one-week learning tour will benefit older adults, persons with disabilities, caregivers, and their families by facilitating the exchange of knowledge on successes, challenges, and lessons learned related to disaster preparedness and response, and reducing social isolation.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Approving today's recommendation for out-of-country travel to Japan for the Chair Pro Tem of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to participate in the Japan Center for International Exchange one-week learning tour supports the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services, and Sustainability Goal #4 to promote health and well-being. This learning tour provides a unique opportunity for County leaders to strengthen strategies and expand knowledge that will support older adults, people with disabilities, caregivers, and their families, particularly in the areas of disasters preparedness, emergency response, and reducing social isolation.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed action. Travel expenses, including airfare, accommodations, and related program expenses will be covered by the Japan Center for International Exchange. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

