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| TO:      | Mayor & Council      | DATE: | October 4, 2002 |
| FROM:    | City Manager         | FILE: | 0390            |
| SUBJECT: | Active Cities Winner |       |                 |

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the City Manager to receive the Active Cities Award in Santiago, Chile, October 20-22, 2002.

## DISCUSSION

As Council is aware, the City of Surrey was chosen to receive the award as "Outstanding City for North America" for improving public spaces for recreation and promoting physical activity. The award was initiated in celebration of World Health Day 2002: "Move for Health" which is dedicated to world-wide promotion of physical activity.

This award is hosted by the Pan American Health Organization who have strongly requested that the Mayor or a Senior City representative, be present at the Award Ceremony at the upcoming Health Promotion Forum in the Americas and the II Chilean Congress on Health Promotion, to be held in Santiago, Chile on October  $20^{th} - 22$ , 2002. We are also asked to provide a presentation and participate in a roundtable forum consisting of all the Winning Cities to allow the exchange of ideas, experiences and information among participants as well as discuss future initiatives and direction. The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has informed us that they will pay for the applicable travel costs to Chile to recognize the winners of this international award.

## SUMMARY

Council's approval is requested for the City Manager to attend the award ceremony and participate in the International Health Promotion Forum in Santiago, Chile October 20 – 22nd, 2002, with applicable travel costs to be reimbursed by the PAHO

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