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Policy			
Community Government duty travel must be pre-approved and must fall within the guidelines of			
this policy.			
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## Guidelines

- 1. All duty travel and travel expenses for the Mayor and Council must be pre-approved by a motion of Council.
- 2. All duty travel and travel expenses for the Senior Administrative Officer (SAO) must be preapproved by the Mayor and reported to Council.
- 3. All duty travel and travel expenses for all staff except the SAO must be pre-approved by the SAO.
- 4. Lodging will normally be paid by the Community Government.
  - 4.1. Any approved lodging charges not paid by Community Government will be fully reimbursed.
  - 4.2. Incidental charges such as non-business related phone charges and/or entertainment charges will not be paid by the Community Government.
- 5. Phone Charges are reimbursable when incurred in the course of business.
- 6. Vehicle rental charges including vehicle rental, mileage, gas and insurance charges will be paid where pre-approved.
- 7. Where a personal automobile is used at the Community Government's convenience, a car allowance will be paid to cover all costs including the cost of fuel.
  - 7.1. Employees must obtain prior approval before using their personal vehicle.
  - 7.2. A journey log with kilometres is required.
  - 7.3. Employees will be reimbursed at GNWT Duty Travel Mileage Rates.
- 8. Parking and taxi fees are reimbursable when incurred in the course of business.
- 9. Meals and incidentals will be reimbursed at GNWT Duty Travel Rates.
- 10. If circumstances prove these amounts to be insufficient then application should be made to SAO for increase.

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- 11. All other expenses incurred in the course of work must be accompanied by an explanation of charges with receipts and be pre-approved.
- 12. The following expenses do not qualify for reimbursement:
  - 12.1. Alcohol.
  - 12.2. Cigarettes.
  - 12.3. Personal items other than incidentals.
  - 12.4. Late fees on credit cards.
  - 12.5. Traffic citations or other fines.
- 13. Travel advances may be provided upon request before departure.
  - 13.1. The SAO must pre-approve travel advances.
  - 13.2. The request for advance must be provided as soon as the travel is approved with two weeks advance notice if possible.
  - 13.3. The amount of advance requested should reflect the minimum required for the trip.
  - 13.4. Upon return, advances will be subtracted from expense forms and remaining balances, if any, are payable to the Community Government.
- 14. Payment on claims will be made as soon as possible after receipt of claim.
- 15. It is the employee's responsibility to:
  - 15.1. Attach all cash and credit card original receipts to the expense form.
  - 15.2. Ensure all receipts are legible and match the items on the expense report.
  - 15.3. Sign and date the expense report.
  - 15.4. Identify the purpose and dates of the travel.
  - 15.5. Submit the completed form to the Finance Officer.

Attachments		
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References		
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