



Monday, August 7, 2023

Fayetteville City Council Work Session

Subject: Funding request for delegation visit from Saint Avold, France, Sept. 25 – Oct. 1, 2023

Amount requested: \$12,500

Details:

1. September 27, 2023, will mark the 30th Anniversary of Fayetteville's official adoption of Saint Avold as its International Sister City
2. An official delegation from Saint Avold has not visited Fayetteville in approximately 10 years.
3. The sitting Mayor of Saint Avold has never visited Fayetteville, nor has any Mayor.
4. The Fayetteville-Saint Avold Friendship Alliance has been fundraising and has received a \$1000 donation for the purpose of supporting this weeklong visit, but additional support is needed.
5. Previous delegations from Fayetteville have been very generously hosted during visits to Saint Avold, to include coverage of all lodging and meals expenses.

Anticipated expenses:

1. Lodging: 4 rooms for 6 nights at The McPherson House Bed & Breakfast: \$5, 464.68
 - a. In discussion regarding receiving a discount from this rate
 - b. Includes room and breakfast each morning.
 - c. Location proximity to downtown make this an optimal option for lodging.
2. Meals: Lunch and Dinners for 4 days for 4 people
 - a. Arrival evening (Monday) – reception hosted by the FSAFA Board
 - b. Cost of meals for Tuesday, Wednesday (including anniversary dinner) Thursday, Friday and Saturday
3. Visit to USS North Carolina/Wilmington: Tickets \$14 each/\$56 total.
4. 30th Anniversary Dinner: Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023 at The Sky View on Hay.
 - a. Room rental: \$2,312 – includes tables and chairs for 100 people. Includes set-up and take down.
 - b. Linens costs (tablecloths) - \$22.88 per table (approximately 13 tables), approx. \$298
 - c. Catered meal paid for delegation guest: approximately \$50 per person, \$200 total.
5. Saint Avold Avenue sign unveiling reception - Veterans Park reception.
 - a. Catered lunch reception – Publix, southern buffet style, iced tea, lemonade, finger foods, fried chicken strips, paper products – approximately \$750
6. Transportation to and from the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, Sept. 25 pick-up, Oct. 1 drop-off. Cost associated: ?