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TITLE: Discussion: Washington Cities Insurance Authority WCIA Training for Council

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Darcy Kirschner, Executive Office

PRESENTER:

Ann Bennett, WCIA Executive Director

ESTIMATED TIME:

60

BACKGROUND:

This session will include an orientation to WCIA's background and purpose, an overview of current insurance market conditions and rates, and discussion of liability exposures that may affect Council members.

The training will also cover practical guidance on how Council can avoid liability, including strategies related to executive session confidentiality and the potential impacts of leaks on City and Council liability. This session is part of WCIA's risk management services and is intended to enhance the Council's understanding of legal responsibilities, ethical obligations, and best practices in governance.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTIONS:

None

FUNDING:

There is no direct cost to the City to attend this WCIA training, as it is provided as part of the City's WCIA membership. Costs are limited to councilmember time to participate. The training provides a risk management benefit by reducing potential exposure to legal claims or compliance issues.

VISIONS AND PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

Supports the City's priority to nurture operational and organizational excellence by ensuring elected officials are informed, compliant, and effective in governance.

DEPARTMENT ATTACHMENTS

Description:

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