



City of Seattle
Mayor Edward B. Murray

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Janice Pauline
Director of Conferences and Meetings
National League of Cities
660 North Capitol St NW
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Ms. Pauline,

I was thrilled to learn of the National League of Cities' interest in holding your City Summit conference in Seattle in 2021 or 2024. Surrounded by unmatched natural beauty, Seattle is an exciting urban center, offering an abundance of arts and culture, dining and entertainment options to enrich your participants' experience throughout their stay.

Our world-class SeaTac airport features 22 passenger airlines serving 77 non-stop domestic destinations each day. From there, your attendees may opt to take the light rail directly to the heart of downtown and the Washington State Convention Center. Just a short walk from the conference facilities, your attendees will find a host of hotels, museums, shops, restaurants, and of course, the beloved Pike Place market.

Seattle is home to both globally recognized corporations and small businesses, boasting the University of Washington, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and other leading research institutions. The city is one of the fastest growing in the United States and is experiencing investments in public amenities and infrastructure, including extension of Sound Transit's Link Light Rail service, expansion of the Washington State Convention Center, and development of a new Waterfront Park to reconnect the city to Elliott Bay.

We share your commitment to building better communities and very much appreciate your work to convene city leaders from across the country. We were delighted to host your conference in 2013, and hope to welcome you back to Seattle in 2021 or 2024.

Sincerely,

Edward B. Murray
Mayor of Seattle