



City of Seattle
Mayor Jenny A. Durkan

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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 am thrilled to learn of the National League of Cities' interest in holding your City Summit conference in Seattle in 2024. Seattle is a truly vibrant city, full of opportunities to engage with fine arts, explore local culture, experience our incredible landscape, and enjoy our renowned Pacific Northwest cuisine.

Our world-class SeaTac airport serves 77 nonstop domestic destinations every day. The airport is directly connected to the Sound Transit Light Rail, which stops in the heart of downtown and at the Washington State Convention Center. Steps from the conference facilities are some of Seattle's best restaurants, bars, and museums. Just a bit further are the lively streets of Capitol Hill, the iconic Pike Place Market, our breathtaking waterfront, and our bustling downtown core.

Seattle is home to global corporations, nonprofits, and research institutes – the University of Washington, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Amazon, Microsoft, Starbucks, and Boeing, to name a few – alongside our thriving small and local businesses. We are one of the fastest-growing, dynamic, and eclectic urban centers in the nation.

We also happen to be situated in one of the most beautiful places in the world. Nestled between the Olympic and Cascade mountain ranges, resting along Lake Washington and Puget Sound, Seattle is a natural gem. There's a reason we're called the Emerald City.

I share your commitment to building better communities and stronger cities, and I appreciate your work to convene our nation's city leaders. The City of Seattle was delighted to host your conference in 2013, and would eagerly welcome you back to Seattle in 2024.

Sincerely,

Jenny A. Durkan
Mayor of Seattle