

## SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIPS

- 1 That a policy of three yearly exchanges with each sister city - on the basis of one each year be adopted.
- 2 That Council accept the costs of exchange participants on the same basis as domestic travel.

### Relationship Criteria

That the following criteria for sister city relationships be adopted for future links.

- 1 ***Facilitative Relationship***

City offers protocol support for business, educational, and cultural contacts by citizens (or where required). Generally to be used to establish protocol lines while economic initiatives are developing.

- 2 ***Friendly Relationship***

Ongoing friendly relationship where activity between cities is increasing and there is a recognition at Government level. Agree to foster visit to City.

- 3 ***Special Relationship***

A special relationship formally recognised and sustained by ongoing activity between businesses, universities and other educational institutions, etc.

- 4 ***Sister City Relationship***

Relationship has developed to a point where it is firmly established. Ongoing activities between cities are assured and criteria for the lower three rankings have been exceeded. There is a specific sister city committee actively working on improving the relationship.

Adopted: 26 March 1990  
Last Updated: 14 December 2011