

STAFF REPORT HOLLISTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: June 6, 2025 REPORT # City Attorney-2025-06

AGENDA ITEM: WAIVE THE CITY COUNCIL "CITY REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND INFORMATION POLICY TO DISCUSS, FORM AND APPOINT TWO CITY COUNCILMEMBERS TO A HOLLISTER INDEPENDENCE RALLY AD HOC COMMITTEE

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mary Lerner, City Attorney

STAFF CONTACT: Jennifer Thompson, Assistant City Attorney

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Waive the City of Hollister ("City") "Council Requests for Future Agenda Items and Information" Policy ("Policy"), discuss, form and appoint two (2) City Councilmembers to a Hollister Independence Rally Ad Hoc Committee.

DISCUSSION:

The Policy outlines the process by which City Councilmembers may add items to the City Council meeting agenda ("Agenda"). In general, the Policy requires the City Council to discuss adding an item to the Agenda at one meeting and then, if the item is approved, the item is added to a subsequent Agenda. In order to both approve adding an item and to discuss the item at the same City Council meeting, the City Council must first waive the Policy. The Policy was adopted by the City Council, and so may also be waived by the majority of the City Council. The recommended motion to waive the Policy is:

"I move to waive the Council Requests for Future Agenda Items and Information Policy to discuss, form, and appoint two (2) City Councilmembers to a Hollister Independence Rally Ad Hoc Committee."

If this motion to waive the Policy passes, the City Council may then discuss the formation of and appoint two (2) City Councilmembers to a Hollister Independence Rally Ad Hoc Committee. Meetings of the City Council are generally subject to the Brown Act; however, the Brown Act specifically exempts ad hoc committees comprised of less than a quorum of the legislative body from Brown Act requirements. (Gov. Code, § 54952 (b).) Ad hoc committees also have a short-term advisory role and are generally disbanded when the original purpose of the ad hoc committee ends.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

PREVIOUS COUNCIL OR COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

CEQA: N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution to Waive the City of Hollister "Council Requests for Future Agenda Items and Information" Policy and Appoint Two City Councilmembers to a Hollister Independence Rally Ad Hoc Committee.