



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Councilmember Sylvia Arenas  
District 8

**SUBJECT:** SEE BELOW

**DATE:** July 14, 2022

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APPROVED: *Sylvia Arenas*

*07/14/2022*

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF INDIA INDEPENDENCE DAY FLAG RAISING  
COMMUNITY EVENT SPONSORED BY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 AS A  
CITY COUNCIL SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENT TO EXPEND CITY  
FUNDS AND ACCEPT DONATIONS OF MATERIALS AND SERVICES  
FOR THE EVENT**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Approve the Indian Independence Day Flag Raising scheduled on Thursday, August 18, 2022 as a City Council sponsored Special Event and approve the expenditure of funds.
2. Approve and accept donations from various individuals, businesses or community groups to support the event.
3. Place the item on the Tuesday, August 9, 2022 Council Agenda for action.

## **BACKGROUND**

On February 1, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 72517 which requires Councilmembers to submit a memorandum to the Rules Committee regarding proposed City Council sponsored Special Events and the proposed use of any funds.

The Indian Independence Day Flag Raising Ceremony and Reception event will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at City Hall Plaza and sponsored by Councilmember Arenas. This special event will commemorate India's Independence from British colonial rule and honor the contributions of the Indian and Indian-American community to the City of San José. The event is free and open to the public and will follow all appropriate local public health rules.

The display of the Indian Flag on Thursday, August 18, 2022 is permitted under Council Policy 2-1, Section C.1 - Flags of Governments Recognized by the United States: "Flags of the governments recognized by the United States may be displayed upon the request of the Mayor, a member of the City Council or the City Manager."

## **ANALYSIS**

Approval by the City Council of the event will ensure compliance with the Council's prior direction regarding Council Special Events. In observance of existing fundraising disclosure requirements, Councilmember Arenas will report any cash or in-kind donations received for the event on their Disclosure of Fundraising Report (DFR-1). Approval of this memorandum will enable Council District 8, City departments and the Office of the City Clerk to proceed with the event. Any cash donations received will be processed pursuant to the City's normal financial and budgetary procedures.

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

The Office of the City Clerk will post the item on the City's Website for the August 3, 2022 Rules Committee Agenda and the August 9, 2022 City Council Agenda.

## **CEQA**

- ☐ Not a Project, File No. PP17-010, City Organization & Administrative Activities resulting in no changes to the physical environment.
- ☐ Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment.
- ☐ Exempt, File No. PP12-080. Minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effect on the environment.
- ☐ Exempt, File No. PP13-056, Activities associated with citywide litter clean-up activities.
- ☐ Exempt, File No. PP11-046, Graffiti removal services.

Reviewed by:

TONI J. TABER, CMC  
City Clerk

For questions, please contact Toni Taber, City Clerk, at (408) 535-1260.