



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Councilmember Johnny Khamis  
District 10

**SUBJECT:** SEE BELOW

**DATE:** 02/25/2020

APPROVED:

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE SCOTTISH FLAG RAISING SPONSORED BY COUNCIL DISTRICT 10, IN COOPERATION WITH THE SOUTH BAY SCOTTISH SOCIETY, 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 Scottish Flag Raising scheduled on April 6, 2020 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 March 17<sup>th</sup> Council Agenda for action.

## BACKGROUND

On February 1, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution 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. This special event celebrates Tartan Day, the date on which the Declaration of Arbroath was signed in 1320, as well as the contributions of Scottish culture to San José and the United States of America. The Flag raising will be celebrating Scottish heritage, and all art displays, music, and dance will be free and open to the public as part of the celebration.

The display of the Flag of Scotland on April 6<sup>th</sup> 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 Johnny Khamis 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 10, 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 March 4<sup>th</sup> Rules Committee Agenda and the March 17<sup>th</sup> 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

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