



# Memorandum

**TO:** RULES AND OPEN  
GOVERNMENT  
COMMITTEE

**FROM:** Toni Taber, MMC

**SUBJECT:** SEE BELOW

**DATE:** March 17, 2026

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE GREAT AMERICAN LITTER PICK-UP AS AN ANNUAL CITY SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENT, TO EXPEND CITY FUNDS AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS OF MATERIALS AND SERVICES FOR THE EVENT**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Approve the Great American Litter Pick-up as an annual City Council sponsored Special Event held on a Saturday in April around Earth Day 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 April 7, 2026 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 donated funds for special events.

The Great American Litter Pick-up is a free city event, open to the public, and held annually on a Saturday in April around Earth Day which is recognized annually on April 22, at various locations throughout the City coordinated through many Council offices in cooperation with City departments. This is a national effort in collaboration with a wide variety of other community-based organizations, educational institutions, business organizations, and community volunteers.

## **ANALYSIS**

Approval by the Rules and Open Government Committee and City Council of the event will ensure compliance with the Council's prior direction regarding Council Special Events. In compliance with existing fundraising disclosure requirements, all participating Mayor and Council Offices will report any solicitations made and donations received for the event in the elected official's Disclosure of Fundraising Report (DFR-1). Approval of this memorandum will enable all participating Council Districts, City Departments and the Office of the City Clerk to proceed

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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 25, 2026 Rules Committee Agenda and the April 7, 2026 City Council Agenda.

**COORDINATION**

This memorandum has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.

**CEQA**

CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-011, Temporary Special Events resulting in no changes to the physical environment.



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City Clerk

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