



Memorandum

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Mayor Matt Mahan

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: May 20, 2026

Approved:

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF JUNETEENTH 2026 FLAG RAISING SPONSORED BY THE OFFICE OF MAYOR MATT MAHAN AS A CITY COUNCIL SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENT TO EXPEND CITY FUNDS AND ACCENT DONATIONS OF MATERIALS AND SERVICES FOR THE EVENT.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve the Juneteenth 2026 Flag Raising scheduled on Sunday, June 7, 2026, as a City 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; and
3. Place the item on the June 2, 2026, Council Agenda for action.

BACKGROUND

On February 1, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution 72517 which requires Mayor/Councilmembers to submit a memorandum to the Rules Committee regarding proposed City Council sponsored Special Events and the proposed use of any funds.

The Juneteenth 2026 Flag Raising will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2026, at San José City Hall Rotunda and sponsored by the Office of Mayor Matt Mahan. This special event celebrates Juneteenth by raising the Juneteenth Flag at City Hall, and brings together African American community members and leaders. The event is free and open to the public. The display of the Juneteenth Flag on June 7, 2026, is permitted under Council Policy 2-1, C.3 – Flags Displayed in Conjunction with Official Ceremonial Items: “Other flags may be displayed in conjunction with official actions, ceremonial items, or proclamations of the City Council.”

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, Mayor Matt Mahan 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 the Office of Mayor Matt Mahan, 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 May 27, 2026, Rules Committee Agenda and the June 2, 2026, City Council Agenda.

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Not a Project, File No. PP15-077, Temporary Special Events

Reviewed by:

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City Clerk

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