

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Jessica Matson, Legislative & Information Services Director/City Clerk

SUBJECT: Supplemental Information

Agenda Item 9.d. - April 23, 2024 City Council Meeting

Review and Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Recurring Annual Display of Specified Commemorative Flags at City Hall and

Heritage Square Park

DATE: April 23, 2024

Attached is correspondence received by 4 PM for the above referenced item.

cc: City Manager

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From: Babs Aquino
To: public comment
Subject: Please fly the flag

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 2:55:27 PM



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I am in 100% support of the LGBTQ+ community & flying the Progress flag during Pride Month. It helps our community to be stronger and more accepting. Thank you,
Barbara Montgomery-Aquino
Arroyo Grande

From: Fiona Swanson
To: public comment
Subject: Meeting Today

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 3:11:57 PM



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Hello! My name is Fiona Swanson and I'm a queer student at Arroyo Grande High School. I wanted to reach out in support of raising the pride flag every June. It's hard to express how meaningful it is to me to see a symbol of love and acceptance when I step outside. I wanted to attend the organized counter-protest happening today, but, unfortunately, I can't. The city of Arroyo Grande - specifically Arroyo Grande High School students - thanks and supports you!

Sincerely,

Fiona Swanson

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Subject: Agenda item 9D



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Good morning, Mayor, and City Council,

I am contacting you regarding an item 9D (Review and Adoption of Flag Display at City Hall and Heritage Square Park) on the City Council Agenda for tonight April 23, 2024.

This past Friday, April 19th, I received the City Council Agenda notice via email. I called City Hall to speak with a staff member about item 9D, however the City Hall was closed. I was unable to contact a staff member at City Hall as offices were closed. The Deputy City Clerk did return my call Monday morning and confirmed item 9D was on the consent agenda.

If citizens had been made aware item 9D was going to be on tonight's agenda I believe there would have been more input from the community. could have met and had a discussion on this protocol before this meeting.

I am asking the Mayor and City Council to consider a Continuance of item 9D for a later date. This will allow citizens to have the time to review the current policy and procedure along with having the opportunity to suggest any possible changes.

Many of my fellow citizens have questions regarding the current procedure and policy about which flags can fly over our City Hall and other Government offices.

I will be attending the meeting tonight to give further rationale for my request.

Heather Jensen

, Arroyo Grande