

City Council Agenda Item Staff Report

CITY OF SAN BRUNO

DATE: May 24, 2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Jovan D. Grogan, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Jennifer Dianos, Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Display of the LGBTQ Pride Flag on a

Designated City Facility Flagpole to Commemorate LGBTQ Pride Month

during the month of June 2022

BACKGROUND: The City of San Bruno received a request to display an LGBTQ Progress Pride Flag for the month of June 2022. Pride month occurs in June of each year to commemorate the Stonewall Uprising that occurred in New York in 1969. Pride Month is a time to celebrate gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and asexual people, plus all other sexual orientations and genders, and to recognize the impact that these people have had on history locally, nationally and internationally.

On June 9, 2020, the San Bruno City Council approved a policy regarding the display of commemorative and ceremonial flags and banners at City facilities. Following is a summary of the policy:

- 1. The United States Flag and the State of California flag shall be displayed in accordance with Federal and State laws and regulations.
- 2. The City Manager is authorized to order that the United States Flag, California State Flag and any commemorative and ceremonial flags or banners on display be lowered to half-staff by the order of the President of the United States, or by the Governor of the State of California.
- 3. Commemorative or Ceremonial Flags and Banners: may only be displayed on a designated City Flag flagpole located at a San Bruno city facility; commemorative flags shall be displayed for a period of time authorized by resolution of the City Council; the City will not display a commemorative or ceremonial flag or banner based on a request from a third party, unless approved by a City Council resolution.

DISCUSSION: On April 13, 2022, the City of San Bruno received an email from a member of the San Mateo County LGBTQ Commission requesting that San Bruno recognize June as Pride Month in San Bruno and requesting that an LGBTQ Progress Pride Flag be displayed in San Bruno to recognize its LGBTQ residents. The request is intended to bring visibility and inclusion to the forefront of San Bruno for San Bruno lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) residents. This visibility and inclusion allows LGBTQ residents to know that they are seen and that they belong.

Should the City Council authorize the LGBTQ Progress Pride Flag to be on display, the Flag will be raised at San Bruno City Hall and will be on display from June 1 – June 30, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: There is no environmental impact. The action is not a project subject to CEQA. City Council's action is not considered a "Project" per CEQA Guidelines and therefore no further environmental analysis is required.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Display of the LGBTQ Progress Pride Flag on a Designated City Facility Flagpole to Commemorate LGBTQ Pride Month during the month of June 2022.

ALTERNATIVES: 1. Do not authorize display of the LGBTQ Progress Flag for the month of June 2022.

2. Authorize display of the LGBTQ Progress Flag for a different duration or location.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Resolution

2. Image of Flag