

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. J.2 01/09/2024

SUBJECT: Consider a Request from Council Member Mendoza seeking

information regarding Government Code Section 54954.3(c)

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

STAFF: Tim Ogden, City Manager

Margaret Wimberly, City Clerk

TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council consider and discuss the request from Council Member Mendoza directing staff to prepare information related to a portion of the Brown Act (Government Code section 54954.3(c)).

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action, but authorizing this request to move forward could require the need for outside counsel and could cost approximately \$5,000 from the General Fund.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Council Policy 110-1 Rule 4.4 (b)(2), this item has been placed on the agenda so that Council may discuss it and provide further direction to staff. Pursuant to Section 4.4, Council discussion is limited to whether staff time and City resources should be spent on the item and the time period for scheduling.

Government Code Section 54954.3(c): The legislative body of a local agency shall not prohibit public criticism of the policies, procedures, programs, or services of the agency, or of the acts or omissions of the legislative body. Nothing in this subdivision shall confer any privilege or protection for expression beyond that otherwise provided by law.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.



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PREVIOUS ACTION

Previous Action by the City Council is included on Attachment 1.

DATE OF NOTICE

Not Applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Not Applicable.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Previous Action