

SUBJECT: A request from Council Member Pierson to change the Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Committee, and the Diversity, Equity, Belonging and Inclusion Committee, from ad-hoc to standing committees.

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

STAFF: Tim Ogden, City Manager
Margaret Wimberly, City Clerk

TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council consider a request from Council Member Pierson to change the Age and Disabilities Friendly Communities Committee, and the Diversity, Equity, Belonging and Inclusion Committee, from ad-hoc to standing committees, and thus subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

FISCAL IMPACT

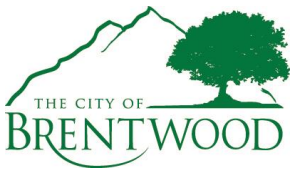
There would be fiscal impacts related to staff overtime costs related to the extra work necessary for hosting these two standing committees, if held in the evening.

BACKGROUND

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

Standing Committees are used to do ongoing work on an issue or multiple issues. Such committees operate according to the same rules as City Council and commission meetings when it comes to the Brown Act. This means agendas are posted in advance, thereby providing meeting notice to the public, and the public is welcome to attend the meetings and comment on agenda items. Consistent with prior City Council direction, standing committee meetings could be held in the Council Chambers and broadcast via Zoom.

Should the City Council desire to transform either or both these committees to standing committees, a date and time for use of the Council Chambers should be



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chosen and the desired standing schedule set. A sample month of Council Chamber usage is attached and includes regional meeting scheduling conflicts of committee members for additional consideration.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.

PREVIOUS ACTION

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

DATE OF NOTICE

Not Applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Not Applicable.

ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)

Not Applicable

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Previous Action
2. Council Chamber Calendar