



DATE: September 21, 2022
TO: Community Services Commission
FROM: Community Services Manager
SUBJECT Bylaws Update

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commission reviews and provides comments on the proposed amendments to the Community Services Commission bylaws.

SUMMARY

Annually, staff does a review of the bylaws to ensure that proposed changes to the scope of the Community Services Commission's (CSC) work be appropriately included in the bylaws and any administrative changes be included. During the last Fiscal Year, Commissioner Collin Thormoto, who was appointed to an ad hoc bylaws review committee, provided the following suggested edits that staff concurs with (see Attachment II for redline edits):

- Create formatting consistency
- Utilize inclusive gender language
- Formalize public comment in the bylaws
- Reduce the bylaws amendment period to 28 days to increase likelihood for bylaw amendments to occur over the course of two CSC meetings
- Integrate Special/Cultural Events into the Arts and Music Application Review Committee to align with the changes to the Community Agency Funding Process

Additionally, staff proposed supplemental edits to update the language around being a qualified elector to mirror the recent Ballot Measure OO Charter Amendment to create more opportunities for residents to volunteer, and honor Hayward's commitment to diversity by eliminating the requirement of being a qualified elector / registered voter to serve on City Council-appointed advisory commissions.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will receive the CSC's comments at the meeting of September 21, 2022, and the proposed changes will be voted on at the November CSC meeting after the requisite 30-day review period has passed.

Prepared and Recommended by: Monica Davis, Community Services Manager

Approved by:

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Jennifer Ott, Assistant City Manager