



**Approve Commission Annual Workplans; and Discuss Potential Joint Dinners or Special Annual Event(s) for Board, Committee, and Commissions**

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**Background**

- Prior to 2020, Joint Dinners were scheduled between each Board, Committee, and Commissions (BCC)
- From 2020 – 2023, dinners were paused primarily due to COVID-19 restrictions
- FY 2023-24, Joint Dinners reconvened for 7 out of 9 BCCs
- FY 2024-25, No Joint Dinners scheduled
- In August 2025, staff informed City Council
  - Annual Report to approve BCC workplans
  - Annual Recognition Appreciation Dinner

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## Background

- November 4, 2025, Council meeting

Board, Committee, or Commissions (BCC)	FY 25-26 Workplan Approved
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee	Yes
Board of Library Trustees	Yes
Civil Service Commission	Yes
Cultural Commission	Yes
Historical and Landmarks Commission	Yes
Parks and Recreation Commission	Yes
Planning Commission	Yes
Senior Advisory Commission	Pending
Youth Commission	Pending

- Council expressed interest in reinstating Joint Dinners

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## Workplans Now Complete

- Both FY 2025-26 Workplans are now complete and ready for Council review:
  - **Senior Advisory Commission**
  - **Youth Commission**
- These workplans complete the FY 2025-26 workplan approval process for all City Boards, Commissions, and Committees

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## Council Interest in Joint Engagement

- **At the November 4, 2025 Council meeting:**
  - Council requested staff present options for reintroducing or restructuring the engagement opportunities with the BCC's
- **Staff identified three options**
  - Option A: Reestablish Joint Dinners**
  - Option B: Establish Two Annual Special Events**
  - Option C: Host One Annual Recognition Dinner**

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## Option A: Reestablish Joint Dinners

- **Description:**
  - Revert to prior practice of joint dinners with individual BCCs
- **Key Features:**
  - Nine (9) joint dinners annually
  - Separately, recognition of outgoing members at August Council meeting
  - Dinners scheduled prior to Regular Council Meeting

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## Option B: Two Annual Special Events

- **Description:**
  - Host two BCC-wide special meetings each year
- **Key Features:**
  - Mid-year session for Workplan progress discussion
  - Year-end session for accomplishments and planning
  - Allows collective discussion and cross-BCC collaboration
  - More efficient use of time (2 vs. 9 events)

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## Option C: One Annual Recognition Dinner

- **Description:**
  - Hold one BCC-wide recognition event in summer for all BCC members
- **Key Features:**
  - Special Meeting
  - Consolidate relationship-building and appreciation
  - Representatives of each BCC would provide Workplan Highlights
  - Thank individuals for their service
  - Recognize departing members and present awards

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## Benchmarking

Agency	Joint Dinners	Two Annual Special Events	One Annual Recognition Dinner
City of Allen (Texas)			✓
City of Beaverton (Oregon)			✓
City of Chula Vista (California)			✓
City of Edmond (Oklahoma)			✓
City of San Jose	<i>No Annual Dinner since COVID</i>		
City of Milpitas			✓
City of Mountain View			✓
City of Sunnyvale	<i>No Annual Dinner/Event</i>		

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- ## Recommendation
- Approve the Senior Advisory Commission and Youth Commission Annual Workplans for FY 2025-2026
  - Provide direction to staff on preferred approach for future Council-BCC engagement:
    - Option A: Reestablish Joint Dinners
    - Option B: Establish Two Annual Special Events
    - Option C: Host One Annual Recognition Dinner
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