



## Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 6/6/2023

### REPORT TO COUNCIL

#### **SUBJECT**

Proclaim June 2023 as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month

#### **BACKGROUND**

In June 2017, the City of Santa Clara flew the Pride rainbow flag for the first time in the City's history. In May 2019, the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the annual display of the Pride rainbow flag during the month of June.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual (LGBTQIA+) Pride Month is celebrated annually in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots which marked the beginning of the gay civil rights movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices and paved the way forward towards equality for all. Over the years, the movement continues to evolve towards inclusion for all and to recognize the impact that LGBTQIA+ individuals have had on our society and history.

In honor of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month, the City Council will raise the Pride flag over Santa Clara City Hall on June 9, 2023. The flag will fly through the end of the month as part of the City's commemoration of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month to continue the progress towards justice, equality, and recognition for LGBTQIA+ persons.

#### **DISCUSSION**

At the June 6, 2023 City Council meeting, the Council will proclaim June 2023 as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month in the City of Santa Clara.

Former Santa Clara County Supervisor Ken Yeager and Executive Director of the BAYMEC Foundation will be present to accept the proclamation. The BAYMEC Community Foundation created the exhibit *Queer Silicon Valley, Coming Out: 50 Years of Queer Resistance and Resilience in Silicon Valley* to highlight the unique experiences of San Jose/Silicon Valley's suburban LGBTQ+ movement. The exhibit was on display to the public at Santa Clara's Central Park Library this past year.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

This is an information report only and no action is being taken by the City Council and no environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") is required.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact to the City other than staff time.

#### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board

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