



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: Interim City Administrator

SUBJECT: Arbor Day Proclamation

MEETING DATE: March 21, 2017

Item No. _____

RECOMMENDATION:

With the consent of the City Council, the Mayor will proclaim Wednesday, March 29, 2017 as Arbor Day in the City of Commerce.

ANALYSIS:

In a nationwide effort to encourage planting of shade and forest trees; harvesting of forest crops by approved conservation methods; and protection of forests from the scourge of devastating fires, insects and disease that destroy the beauty and usefulness of woodlands and wildlife, California State Legislature adopted an Act for the designation of Arbor Day. This Legislative Act encourages the participation of local governments to recognize and celebrate Arbor Day each year.

This year, the City will proclaim Wednesday, March 29, 2017 as Arbor Day in the City of Commerce. Everyone capable of doing so is urged to observe this day by planting one or more trees and by participating in one or more programs offered by sponsors of Arbor Day.

The City coordinates an Annual Arbor Day Celebration and asks each of the local schools (Rosewood Park School and Bandini Elementary School) to conduct a poster contest among the 4th grade students and provide the names of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Staff will return back to Council to recognize the winners at a future meeting.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve staff recommendation
2. Disapprove staff recommendation
3. Provide further direction to staff

FISCAL IMPACT:

This activity may be carried out without additional impact on the current operating budget.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

This item is related to a specific 2016 Strategic Goal for Community Quality of Life Guiding Principle 1 to “continue to support and create partnerships with educational institutions and organizations that work to improve the lives of our residents, including the local school district. Provide multi-generational development programs to ensure quality education and recreational opportunities.”

Approved by: Maryam Babaki, Director of Public Works and Development Services

Reviewed by: Gina Nila, Deputy Director of Public Works Operations

Prepared by: Hector Orozco, Street & Tree Maintenance Supervisor

Reviewed by: Vilko Domic, Finance Director

Approved as to form: Eduardo Olivo, City Attorney

Respectfully submitted: Matthew C. Rodriguez, Interim City Administrator

ATTACHMENT:

1. Proclamation