



**ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:  
CITY FACILITIES EXTERNAL LIGHTING POLICY**

JANUARY 14, 2025

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# BACKGROUND



# PRESENTLY: THREE EXISTING FACILITIES



# OTHER CITIES' POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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## **Policy**

- County of San Diego

## **Informal Procedure**

- City of Los Angeles
- City and County of San Francisco

# POLICY



# DEFINITIONS

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- City Council
- External Lights / External Lighting System
- Holidays
- Lighting Event
- Mayor
- Mayor Pro Tempore
- Patriotic Days

# CITY MANAGER AUTHORITY

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**PATRIOTIC DAYS**



**TRADITIONAL**

# CITY COUNCIL AUTHORITY

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- Council retains the right to decide when/how City facilities external lights are illuminated for any day/event.
  - Council concurrence rather than Council item.



# MAYOR AUTHORITY

- Quick response to championship achievements from Los Angeles area professional teams and Torrance high schools.
- 72-hour period.
- Passes to Mayor Pro Tempore in Mayor's absence.



# PUBLIC AUTHORITY

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The external lighting system of City facilities are not intended to serve as a forum for free expression by the public.

# RECOMMENDATION

- Staff recommends that the City Council review and provide direction on the External Lighting Policy for City Facilities.

# QUESTIONS?

