

# **REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

## ***City of Salinas, California***

DATE: August 30, 2016

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**SUBJECT: LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES VOTING DELEGATES AND POLICY  
RESOLUTIONS**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council approve the appointment of Mayor Joe Gunter to serve as the voting delegate and Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa to serve as the alternate voting delegate for the annual League of California Cities' business meeting; and further authorize the City's delegate to vote in support of the League of California Cities' proposed Policy Resolution.

### **DISCUSSION:**

At its annual business meeting, the League of California Cities adopts policy resolutions on issues of statewide importance that have direct bearing on municipal affairs and are of broad municipal interest. This year's general assembly and business meeting will be held during the League's annual conference on Friday, October 7, 2016 at the Long Beach Convention Center. Each city must appoint a voting delegate and may appoint up to two alternates to vote on the League's policy resolutions. Action by the City Council is required consistent with the League bylaws. Mayor Gunter wishes to serve as the voting delegate and recommends Councilmember De La Rosa be appointed as the alternate delegate.

The League's primary means for developing policy is through their standing policy committees and Board of Directors. Additionally, any city, elected or appointed city official, or League Division, Department, or Policy Committee may submit a resolution sixty days before the business meeting. The deadline to submit resolutions for the 2016 conference was August 6, 2016. Resolutions signed by at least 47 delegates may be introduced during the annual conference for issues that developed after the August 6, 2016 deadline.

During the conference, the respective League Policy Committees will consider making recommendations on Resolution 1 before it is voted on by the delegates in General Assembly.

#### **1. Resolution Relating to Vision Zero**

The City of San Jose submitted this resolution. The resolution calls upon the League membership to support vision zero, toward zero deaths, and other programs or initiatives to make safety a top priority for transportation projects and policy formulation, while encouraging cities to pursue similar initiatives. Executive staff recommends support of Resolution 1. The City of Salinas supports Vision Zero and encourages funding sources be identified to provide project guidelines that will bring resources to local jurisdictions.

**ISSUE:**

Shall the City Council appoint Mayor Joe Gunter to serve as the City's voting delegate and Councilmember De La Rosa to serve as the alternate delegate for the League of California Cities' annual business meeting on Friday, October 7, 2016?

Shall Salinas' delegate vote to support, oppose, modify, or take no position on the resolution?

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Council may approve appointment of Mayor Gunter as the voting delegate and Councilmember De La Rosa as the alternate delegate, or appoint another delegate and/or alternate.

Staff recommends supporting Resolution 1, which aligns with Salinas' goal of Excellent Infrastructure. Support of the League resolution does not commit cities to adopting or implementing any League position in their local communities.

**CITY COUNCIL GOALS:**

Identifying voting delegates of the City Council to vote on League policy resolutions supports the City Council's goal of maintaining an Effective, Sustainable Government. Participation in League events and activities helps build strong strategic partnerships with local and state partners.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

Staff recommends the City Council approve appointment of Mayor Joe Gunter to serve as the voting delegate and Councilmember Gloria De La Rosa to serve as the alternate voting delegate for the annual League of California Cities' business meeting and authorize the City's delegate to vote in support of the League of California Cities' proposed Policy Resolution.

**Attachments:**

June 10, 2016 Letter from LCC re. Voting Delegates  
LCC 2016 Policy Resolution Packet