

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: 11/05/07		Item Number: <u>A-3</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Discussion of the Renaming of the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms in City Hall.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Public Notification: Master Notification List (10/31/07).			
Department Approval: Martin R. Cole (10/31/07)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Iker) (10/31/07)	
Fiscal Impact Approval: Marlee Chang (by M. Noller) (10/31/07)		City Manager Approval: Jerry B. Fulwood (10/31/07)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council discuss the renaming of the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms in City Hall and direct staff as deemed appropriate. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> On December 11, 2006, the City Council adopted a City Council Policy related to the naming of City facilities. On October 22, 2007, Councilmember Rose requested and received consensus to agendize an item to discuss the naming of the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms in City Hall. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> This item presents an opportunity for the City Council to discuss and give direction to staff as to naming the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms. The attached policy provides the framework for this discussion to 1) guide staff and the City Council in the naming of City facilities, including buildings, support facilities, park sites and recreation facilities; and 2) ensure that the naming of City facilities is accomplished in accordance with the City's laws, rules, regulations and procedures. According to the Council policy, "City Facilities that have been named by a formal action of the City Council shall not be renamed unless supported by a 4/5ths vote of the City Council. This requirement shall not apply to City Facilities that have not been named by formal action of the City Council or action taken by City Council prior to the adoption of this Policy."			

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When City Hall was constructed there was a Council subcommittee which helped to advise much of the decision making as to the colors of the building, furnishings, etc. The subcommittee may have had a role in naming the building along with former CAO, Jody Hall Esser. The Conference Rooms that are named are named after the following people: Dan Patacchia, Stan Laurel, Oliver Hardy, Clark Gable, Lucille Ball, and Red Skelton. In addition to the Cathedral, and Patio rooms referenced by Councilmember Rose, the following rooms at City Hall have not been formally named by the City Council:, City Attorney Law Library, Overflow Room, and Conference Room 1B.

It appears the names given to the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms were not named by a formal action of the City Council. Therefore, in accordance with the Council Policy, the renaming of the subject conference rooms would not require a 4/5ths vote of the City Council.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Should the City Council direct staff to name either or both of the conference rooms, staff time would be absorbed through existing work programs and there would be a nominal cost, which can be accommodated within the current fiscal year budget, to purchase new signs.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. City Council Policy - Naming of City Facilities

MOTION:

That the City Council:

1. Discuss the naming of the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms and direct its request to the most appropriate Commission, Committee, Council Emeritus or staff for review and recommendation AND provide direction on the public outreach efforts to be considered for this request; or
2. Determine the current names of the Cathedral and Patio Conference Rooms will remain; or
3. Provide other direction as deemed necessary.