

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: 08/22/2011		Item Number: <u>A-2</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: (1) Designation of the City's Voting Delegate and Alternate-Delegate and (2) Taking of Positions on the Six Policy Resolutions Submitted to the General Assembly for the League of California Cities			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Agenda and Meetings – City Council (08/17/11)			
Department Approval: Martin R. Cole (08/15/11)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (08/15/11)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (08/16/11)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (08/17/11)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council (1) designate Mayor Micheál O'Leary as the City's Delegate and Assistant City Manager Martin Cole as the City's alternate delegate and (2) take positions on the six resolutions to be considered by the League's General Assembly at the League of California Cities Annual Conference to be held in San Francisco from September 21 – 23, 2011 (Annual Conference). <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The City of Culver City is a member of the League of California Cities (League). Each year, the League holds an Annual Conference during which the General Assembly votes on various matters of policy, including any resolutions presented to the General Assembly in accordance with the League's by-laws. To allow Culver City the ability to vote on those policy matters, the League's by-laws require the City Council to designate the Voting Delegate (and, if desired, up to two Voting Delegate–Alternates) to represent the City's interests during the General Assembly. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> This year, Mayor O'Leary will be attending the Annual Conference. In the highly unlikely event Mayor O'Leary is not able to perform the duties of Voting Delegate, it			

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is recommended the City Council designate Assistant City Manager Martin Cole as the Voting Delegate–Alternate.

This year, the General Assembly will consider six resolutions. Based upon the City Council adopted legislative plan, staff recommends the City Council take the following positions (the City Council may give general direction to SUPPORT, OPPOSE, or ABSTAIN):

Summary of Resolution	Comment and Suggested Position
Alternative Methods of Meeting Public Notice Requirements	This resolution is consistent with the City Council adopted Legislative Advocacy Program's statement on Public Notification. Suggested Position: Support
Tort Reform	This matter involves a question of policy for which insufficient prior City Council direction exists. Suggested Position: Direct Voting Delegate as Deemed Appropriate
Raising Public Awareness of Bullied Children	This matter involves a question of policy for which insufficient prior City Council direction exists. Suggested Position: Direct Voting Delegate as Deemed Appropriate
Support of the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003	This matter involves a question of policy for which insufficient prior City Council direction exists. Suggested Position: Direct Voting Delegate as Deemed Appropriate
Replacement of Death Penalty with Life without Possibility of Parole	This matter involves a question of policy for which insufficient prior City Council direction exists. Suggested Position: Direct Voting Delegate as Deemed Appropriate
Acknowledge the recent efforts of the City of Bell to address municipal corruption	This matter involves a question of policy for which insufficient prior City Council direction exists. Suggested Position: Direct Voting Delegate as Deemed Appropriate

While it happens infrequently, in 2010, a resolution presented before the General Assembly was expected to be passed without much or any opposition (and the City

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Council had adopted a support position). However, based upon discussion at the General Assembly, the motion became the subject of significant discussion and initial discord amongst the delegates. To allow the Voting Delegate and Voting Delegate–Alternate sufficient discretion to react to a similar situation should it arise at the 2011 Conference (and vote in a fully informed manner consistent with the general guidance of the City Council), the City Council is requested to grant such reasonable discretion.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Neither designation of the Voting Delegate/Voting Delegate–Alternate nor taking positions on the various resolutions create a fiscal impact on the City. However, should state or federal legislation change in accordance with the intent of some or all of the resolutions, the City might experience a fiscal impact, the magnitude of which is difficult to estimate at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Designation of Voting Delegates Information
2. Annual Conference Resolution Packet

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Designate Mayor Micheal O’Leary as the Voting Delegate and Assistant City Manager Martin Cole as Voting Delegate–Alternate; and,
2. Take the positions regarding the six resolutions presented to the general assembly for consideration as outlined in the staff report; and,
3. Authorize the Voting Delegate and Voting Delegate–Alternate to cast votes exercising reasonable discretion in the case circumstances at the General Assembly warrant a change in vote.