

# Staff Report

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Item #: A-3

(1) Discussion of the Report from the Civil Discourse Workshop Ad Hoc Subcommittee Regarding the Draft Recommended Civil Discourse Guidelines and Determine Next Steps; (2) Provide Direction to Staff if Deemed Appropriate

Meeting Date: March 22, 2022

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Fiscal Impact: Yes [] No [X] General Fund: Yes [] No [X]

 Public Hearing:
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 Action Item:
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 Attachments:
 [X]

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**Department Approval**: Onyx Jones, Assistant City Manager (03/18/2022)

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee (1) discuss the report from the Civil Discourse Ad Hoc Subcommittee regarding the draft recommended civil discourse guidelines and determine next steps and (2) provide direction to staff if deemed appropriate.

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

During the February 18, 2022 regular meeting, the Civil Discourse Ad hoc Subcommittee achieved consensus to put this item on the March regular meeting agenda.

On December 4, 2022, the Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee held a Civil Discourse Workshop for committee members, City Staff, and members of the public. The Workshop was facilitated by the Institute for Civility in Government (ICG). The purpose of the Workshop was to train participants in Civil Discourse and to create recommended civil discourse guidelines for the City of Culver City.

The Civil Discourse Ad Hoc Subcommittee has prepared a draft document of Civil Discourse Guidelines for the City of Culver City from the suggestions provided by both workshop participants and the recommended guidelines submitted by the Institute for Civility in Government (ICG) in their attached final report. The Equity and Human Relations Advisory committee will review, discuss, and revise as appropriate the draft recommended Civil Discourse Guidelines during the March 22, 2022 regular meeting.

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The Civil Discourse Ad Hoc Subcommittee is comprised of committee members Michelle Dennis Anissa Di Vincente and London McBride.

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

There is no fiscal impact associated with this agenda item.

## ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Report from the Civil Discourse Ad Hoc Subcommittee
- 2. Report from the Institute for Civility in Government
- 3. Draft Civil Discourse Guidelines

#### MOTION

That the Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee:

- 1. Discuss the Report from the Civil Discourse Workshop Ad Hoc Subcommittee regarding the draft recommended Civil Discourse Guidelines;
- 2. Determine next steps;
- 3. <u>Provide direction to staff if deemed appropriate</u>