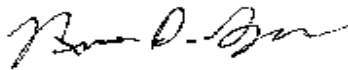


City of Calistoga

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Richard Spitler, City Manager
DATE: June 17, 2014
SUBJECT: Approval of Displaying a Non-Governmental Flag on City Property

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

1 **ISSUE:** To Approve the Display of a Non-Governmental Flag on City Property During
 2 the Last Week of June, 2014.

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 4 **RECOMMENDATION:** By motion, approve the display of the Rainbow Flag, a Non-
 5 Governmental Flag, on the City ceremonial flag pole during the last week of June, 2014,
 6 should the flag pole be installed by that time.

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 8 **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** On June 3, 2014, the Calistoga City Council adopted
 9 a resolution allowing the display of certain Non-Governmental flags on City-owned flag
 10 poles which are not otherwise dedicated to the display of the National, California and/or
 11 City flags.

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 13 The Mayor and/or a member of the City Council may submit a request to the City
 14 Manager in writing to display a Non-Governmental Flag on a ceremonial flagpole in
 15 conjunction with official actions, ceremonial items, or proclamations of the City Council.

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 17 With approval of the Non-Governmental Flag Policy the Council authorized the City
 18 Manager to have a new, ceremonial flag pole installed on City property. Staff has
 19 ordered a 25 foot high flag pole (to be reimbursed by private donations) and has found a
 20 site near the Community Center in which to install the flag pole (see Attachment 3).

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 22 On June 11, 2014, Mayor Canning received a request from a local resident requesting
 23 that the City display the Rainbow Flag during the last week of June 2014, to celebrate
 24 Gay Pride Week. In response, Mayor Canning has issued a proclamation declaring
 25 June as LGBT Pride Month for Council consideration. Mayor Canning has also

26 requested that the Council approve the display of the Rainbow Flag during the last week
27 of June, 2014 on the ceremonial flag pole, should it be installed by that time.

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29 Staff has reviewed the request by Mayor Canning and has found this proposal is
30 consistent with the Council-adopted "Policy on the Display of Non-Governmental Flags
31 on City Property" as shown as Exhibit B to Resolution No. 2014-043 (see attached). It is
32 up to the majority of the Council to approve this request.

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34 **FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact to the City with allowing this flag to be
35 flown.

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38 **Attachment:**

39 1- June 11, 2014 email from Chris Canning

40 2- Exhibit B to Resolution No. 2014- 043 Non-Governmental Flag Policy

41 3- Map showing the ceremonial flag location