

# INDIAN WELLS CITY COUNCIL

## July 18, 2024



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**To:** City Council  
**From:** City Manager Department  
**Prepared by:** Angelica Avila, City Clerk  
**Subject:** **Resolution Re-establishing Community Activities Committee and Grants In Aid Committee**

### RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Council **REVIEWS** and **ADOPTS** Resolution approving revisions to the Indian Wells Community Activities Committee and Grants In Aid Committee; and

**FINDS** the action exempt from CEQA review under CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3).

### DISCUSSION:

The Council at the February 16, 2023, meeting authorized the creation of a Council Ad Hoc composed of Council Member Griffith and Mayor Pro Tem Whitman to conduct a comprehensive review of City Committees. The Council Ad Hoc was asked to examine the structure, efficiency, and make recommendations to revamp duties and processes of all City Committees.

During discussions between the Ad hoc Committee and members of the Community Activities and Grants In Aid Committees (Committee), it was suggested to review each committee's functions and the purpose of the Committee. Staff members reviewed the following committees and recommended the following modifications in support of the Council Ad Hoc Committee.

Changes to the Golf Resort Advisory Committee purpose and function and the Planning Commission term of office were approved at the June 20, 2024, City Council Meeting.

### **Community Activities Committee**

The Committee's primary responsibilities are to encourage and foster interaction among Indian Wells residents. The Committee shall recommend a proposed annual calendar and budget for community events; as well as plan and implement various community activities.

The Ad hoc Committee is also recommending that the Committee be allowed to utilize its annual budget to select and coordinate the various community events and activities. However, the City's Annual Veteran's Day and Memorial Day events are required events to be funded each year.

### **Grants In Aid Committee**

The Committee's primary responsibility is to make recommendations to the City Council regarding the distribution of funds to worthy charities and organizations in the Coachella Valley in accordance the established guidelines for the existing Grants-in-Aid program.

The Committee currently holds an informational workshop in August and conducts Committee meetings in September and October of each year. The Grants in Aid Resolution calls for regular meetings to be held monthly on the second Tuesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. The Council Ad Hoc Committee recommends modifying the meeting schedule from each month to three confirmed meetings annually. Additional meetings and/or study sessions may be called as required.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

### **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA):**

The action is not a project within the meaning of Section 15378 of the State of California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change in the environment, directly or indirectly; and that the action is nonetheless exempt from the requirements of CEQA in that the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. (14 CCR 15061(b)(3).)

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution- Community Activities Committee
2. Resolution- Grants In Aid Committee