



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 8, 2020
TO: City Council Members
FROM: Mary Rose Rutikanga, City Administrator
SUBJECT: Social Equity Committee Formation

RECOMMENDATION

Consideration to approve members to the Social Equity Committee made up of five (5) members of the public each selected by one (1) councilmember; and consideration to approve suggested committee outcomes

DISCUSSION

1. On July 20, 2020, the Council gave direction to staff on the selection and formation of the newly created Social Equity Committee. The direction given to staff was that the committee was to be made up of five (5) members of the public, each selected by a councilmember as a representative of that councilmember. The Council also directed staff to work with the two (2) councilmember representatives of the committee, Councilmembers Garaventa and Such, to determine the selection process and timeline. The City of Sonora received 12 applications to serve on the committee by the application deadline of August 21, 2020.

All councilmembers have reviewed the applications and have made their individual selections. The public committee members that have been selected are:

Member of the Public	Selected by Councilmember
Nikki Coleman	Ann Segerstrom
Darren Duez	Matt Hawkins
Nathan Morales	Mark Plummer
Sylvia Roberts	Colette Such
Mercedes Tune	Jim Garaventa

It is recommended that the Council approve the selected members of the public and give direction to staff and the public as to when the committee will meet.

2. Councilmember Garaventa and Such have identified a list Social Equity Committee outcomes to provide parameters for the committee to work towards. The below list are suggested outcomes for the Council's consideration:

- Creation of a Social Equity Committee Mission and Vision Statement
- Creation of Social Equity Resolution
- Review and possible update of City Values Statement
- Review and possible update of City Policies on racial sensitivity
- Review of possible Racial Sensitivity Training for City Staff and City Council
- Community partner engagement to ensure proper circulation of racial and diversity sensitive material for the community at large.

All outcomes would be brought back to Council for review and final approval before implementation of any committee outcome.

FISCAL IMPACT

Not yet determined. The fiscal impact of this committee will depend on the outcomes and priorities identified by the Council and/or committee.