



Agenda Item No: 1.g

PLACENTIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: June 17, 2025

Submitted by: Nicolette Drulias

From: Administrative Services

Subject:

Appointment of a Representative from the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District to the Centennial Steering Committee for the City's Centennial Planning

Financial Impact:

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the appointment to this Committee.

Summary:

On November 19, 2024, the City Council authorized the formation of a Centennial Steering Committee (the "Committee") to assist City staff in planning for the City's upcoming Centennial celebration in 2026. The City will celebrate its centennial on December 2, 2026, and plans to celebrate all year long with centennial-themed events, merchandise, a new City logo and updated branding, community involvement, and a special birthday party celebration in December 2026. In order to promote community involvement and ensure we include unique community events and programs for this celebration, Staff recommended the establishment of a committee comprised of different City organizations, non-profits, and recognized community groups. The Committee will split off into Subcommittees working with Staff and other members to prepare recommendations for programming, events, and other items associated with the centennial celebrations. The Committee will be comprised of nineteen (19) members: two (2) City Council Members; one (1) appointed from each of the five (5) City Council districts; one (1) member from Kiwanis Club of Placentia; one (1) member from the Placentia Library; one (1) member from the Rotary Club of Placentia; one (1) member from the Placentia Round Table Women's Club; one (1) member from the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District; one (1) member from the Veterans Advisory Committee; one (1) member from the Placita Santa Fe Merchants Association; one (1) member from the Placentia Chamber of Commerce; one (1) member from the Senior Advisory Committee; one (1) member from the Heritage Festival Committee; two (2) members from the Historical Committee. City Staff members will serve as facilitators/liasons for the Committee.

This action approves the appointee from the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District to serve on the Centennial Steering Committee.

Recommendation:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council take the following action:

1. Approve the appointment of Lorely Meza to serve on the Centennial Steering Committee

in representation of the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District.

Strategic Plan Statement:

This item is consistent with the City Council approved 5-Year Strategic Goal to Increase Community Engagement under Objectives #4.1 and #4.2, which is to Evaluate Alternative and More Creative Methods of Community Outreach and Increase Community Engagement/Outreach.

Discussion:

At the February 4, 2025 City Council Meeting, the Council approved the appointment of the following members to serve on the Centennial Steering Committee:

- Historical Committee Members Bonnie Carren and Kathy Frazee
- Park, Arts, and Recreation Commissioner Tricia Montelongo
- Placentia Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Michele Severson
- Placita Santa Fe Merchants Association President Rosalina Davis
- Heritage Committee Member Kenny Binnings
- Placentia Library District Assistant Director Yesenia Baltierra
- Kiwanis Club President James Kissinger
- City Council Member and Placentia Rotary Member Ward Smith
- District 2 Representative Art Castillo, Representing Mayor Kirwin in City Council District 2

At the April 1, 2025 City Council Meeting, the Council approved the appointment of the following members to serve on the Centennial Steering Committee:

- Veterans Advisory Committee Member Paul Henderson
- Placentia Round Table Women's Club Member Carol Downey
- District 3 Representative Jodi Stout, Representing Council Member Jeremy Yamaguchi
- District 4 Representative Peggie Yamaguchi, Representing Mayor Pro Tem Chad Wanke
- District 5 Representative Aaron Mills, Representing Council Member Ward Smith
- Paulette Chaffee, per the Recommendation of Mayor Kirwin as a City Council Representative

The recommended action approves the appointee, Lorely Meza, Public and Media Relations Specialist from the Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District to serve on the Centennial Steering Committee.

The Committee meets monthly on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Should applications be received for the remaining Committee vacancies, they will be submitted to the Council for consideration and, if appointed at a subsequent City Council meeting, the applicant(s) shall join the Committee.

Fiscal Impact Summary:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the appointment to this Committee.