

Memorandum

TO: City Council
FROM: Renee Eisenbeisz , Assistant City Manager
DATE: May 19, 2025
SUBJECT: Approve a news statement regarding recent immigration activities from the human rights commission
ITEM NUMBER: 10.b
SECTION: GENERAL BUSINESS

REQUESTED MOTION

To approve a news statement regarding recent immigration activities from the human rights commission.

INTRODUCTION

The city council is being asked to approve a news statement from the human rights commission regarding recent immigration activities.

DISCUSSION

At their March meeting, the commission discussed drafting a news statement regarding recent immigration activities. The commission feels it is important given this is a human rights issue and falls under their mission. The commission presented a draft to the city council during their April 21 workshop. Below is the final news statement for city council approval. It was amended based on feedback received during the workshop.

The City of Shoreview is aware that some members of our community have concerns regarding deportation events happening across the United States. It is part of the city's mission, vision, and core values to be a welcoming community and treat everyone with respect, courtesy, and dignity.

We strive to create a community where everyone feels safe, regardless of immigration status. All community members have basic rights under the U.S. Constitution and civil rights laws. To learn more about those rights and find additional resources, visit the sites below:

- Immigrant Law Center of MN, 651-641-1011, <https://www.ilcm.org>
- Mid-MN Legal Aid, 612-332-1441, <https://mylegalaid.org>
- Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services (SMRLS), 1-877-696-6529 or 651-222-5863, <https://www.smrls.org>

In addition to the above, a sub-committee is also working on possibly co-hosting a community conversation around immigrant rights.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the city council approve a news statement from the human rights

commission regarding recent immigration activities. If approved, it will be posted on the city's website.

ATTACHMENTS