

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Valerie Kushnerov, Community Relations Manager

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Supporting the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Resolution No. 18\_ entitled, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Supporting the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative."

# **BACKGROUND:**

At the August 21, 2018, City Council meeting, Jacqueline Inda of the Santa Barbara Response Network spoke about the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative (IAC) and the request for local jurisdictions to join together in supporting immigrant families. Mayor Perotte asked that this item come to the City Council for consideration at a future meeting, and Councilmember Richards supported this request.

# **DISCUSSION:**

The IAC is currently identifying needs and gaps in services for migrant families, and is incorporating different strategies by focusing on the following categories:

- 1) Developing a crisis/rapid response network.
- 2) Developing strategies around healing events and vigils.
- 3) Identifying a message of a resilient community with all being welcome
- 4) Identifying migrant community legal needs and strategies around helping migrant communities prepare.

The IAC submitted language for the attached resolution for consideration by the City Council which meets IAC's current strategies.

# **FISCAL IMPACTS:**

There is no fiscal impact with this action.

# **ALTERNATIVES:**

Council may also choose to take no action on this request.

Meeting Date: September 4, 2018

Reviewed By: Legal Review By: Approved By:

Carmen Nichols

Michael Jenkins

Michelle Greene

City Atternov

Deputy City Manager City Attorney City Manager

# **ATTACHMENT:**

1: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Supporting the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative

# **ATTACHMENT 1:**

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, Supporting the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative

# **RESOLUTION NO. 18-\_\_**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE IMMIGRATION ADVOCACY COLLABORATIVE

WHEREAS, the national anti-immigrant political climate that has resulted in mass deportations has created fear in our community. In response, key community partners have created the Immigration Advocacy Collaborative (IAC); and

- **WHEREAS,** we stand in support of all undocumented people affected by fear resulting from recent natural disasters, local community crisis, and widespread panic; and
- **WHEREAS**, we want to build a comprehensive approach for providing resources, support, and strategies for migrant families; and
- **WHEREAS,** our community is resilient and united despite our diversities because we stand together to reject national or local repression, xenophobia, and racism as we proclaim solidarity with all people in our community; and
- **WHEREAS,** we unite to oppose abuse of power against our residents, and threats against their humanity; and
- WHEREAS, no amount of intimidation against any community of color, religion, legal status, or social class will silence the truth or suppress our values; and
- **WHEREAS,** we believe that all are welcome in our community and embrace our common humanity; and
- **WHEREAS,** in California, migrant members of this region are deeply rooted in our social fabric and are a vital part of our local community; and
- **WHEREAS,** we affirm that all people are created equal and that all persons deserve the right to due process with dignity no matter what race, color or creed; and
- **WHEREAS**, our community stands firmly against the forceful separation of families without due process or without a plan for reunification; and
- WHEREAS, our community stands with the state of California in its actions to prevent the use of local government resources to enforce repression

against migrant communities and the use of local government agencies to support Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) federal activities; and

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, AS FOLLOWS:

# SECTION 1.

The Goleta City Council will build public awareness that unites our diverse communities.

# **SECTION 2.**

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of September, 2018.

	PAULA PEROTTE MAYOR
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DEBORAH S. LOPEZ	MICHAEL JENKINS CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ) s CITY OF GOLETA )	es.
I, DEBORAH S. LOPEZ, City Clean HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Reby the City Council of the City of Goleta a of, 2018 by the following vote of the council of the City of Soleta and the council of the council	t a regular meeting held on the day
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
	(SEAL)
	DEBORAH S. LOPEZ CITY CLERK