

# ALBANY CALIFORNIA



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## MEMORANDUM

To: Albany City Council Members

From: Council Member Peggy McQuaid

Re: Request to Fly Progress Pride Flag (Council Agenda April 18, 2022)

## RECOMMENDATION

Council member McQuaid recommendation: the Council direct staff to draft a resolution authorizing the Progress Pride Flag be flown permanently at Albany City Hall to be effective June 1, 2022.

## BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

I am requesting the Progress Pride Flag be flown permanently on the Albany City Hall secondary flag pole, beneath the flag of the Confederated Villages of Lisjan. This action demonstrates Albany's commitment to supporting the visibility, dignity, and equity of all people in our community.

City's Flag Display Policy, approved by the City Council on November 18, 2019, supports this request:

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for displaying the United States of America, State of California, and commemorative flags at sites and facilities under the jurisdiction of the City of Albany. This policy brings the display of flags at City sites and facilities into conformance with Federal and State laws and regulations (United States Code Title 4, Chapter 1, Sections 1-10; California Government Code Sections 430-439.)

In adopting this policy, the Albany City Council declares that the City of Albany's flagpoles are not intended to serve as a forum for free expression of the public, but rather for the display of National, State, and any commemorative flags as may be authorized by the City Council as an expression of the City Council's official views.

Should an additional commemorative flag be temporarily flown, this commemorative flag shall be flown on the secondary flag pole at Albany City Hall under the Confederated Village of the Lisjan Flag and the Progressive Pride Flag. In addition, when the U.S. Flag is ordered to be flown at half-staff in conformance with the U.S. Flag Code and California Government Code on Display of Flags, all flags on the secondary pole shall be removed for no flag shall be placed above the U.S. Flag.

### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT**

None

### **SOCIAL EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY CONSIDERATIONS**

The City of Albany has a diverse Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual and Ally (LGBTQIA) community and is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equity for all people in the community

### **CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVES**

Strategic Plan Goal 2: Engage our Diverse Community; Objective 3: Continue to Promote Community Inclusivity

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None