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AGENDA REPORT

SAN CLEMENTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Date: March 21, 2017

Department: City Manager
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Subject: *CITY COUNCIL REQUEST TO FORM A COMMITTEE WITH NEIGHBORING CITIES*

Fiscal Impact: No.

Summary: At the February 21, 2017 City Council meeting, the Council requested the possibility of forming a committee with representatives from the cities of San Clemente, Dana Point and San Juan Capistrano. This tri-city committee would be formed to discuss issues of mutual interest that affect the residents of these respective cities.

Background: Councilmember Steven Swartz brought up the idea and he suggested assigning two Council representatives from each city and perhaps staff representation from each of the three cities as well. He also suggested that meetings, held every other month, might be appropriate.

Discussion: There are similar topics that are of importance to these communities, such as group homes, homelessness, crime, code violations, vacation rentals in residential areas, transportation and mobility, housing, economic development, tourism, and more. Ideas can be shared and issues can be addressed as the cities work together towards some innovative and collaborative solutions. With the close proximity of these three cities, this committee could provide a unique opportunity to take a comprehensive look at the issues most affecting the quality of life and success of the tri-city area, and look at any emerging policy issues that may help our respective communities. This committee might also share and compare local ordinances which could lead to improvement and develop best practices for resolving problems and maintaining healthy communities.

Recommended

Action: CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND VOTE TO DECIDE.

1. If there is Council support to form a committee with the cities of Dana Point and San Juan Capistrano to address issues of mutual concern.
2. Whether to direct staff to write letters for the mayor's signature to send to the cities of Dana Point and San Juan Capistrano seeking their commitment.
3. The level of staff involvement, if any, in this new tri-city committee.

Attachments: None

Notification: None