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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: October 7, 2025

Subject

Amendment to 2025 Council Committee Assignments to designate Council appointments to the Economic Development Committee (EDC); Formation of a Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee for the EDC.

Recommended Action

- 1. Ratify amendment to the 2025 Council Committee assignments to designate Councilmember R "Ray" Wang as the primary and Mayor Liang Chao as the alternate to the Economic Development Committee; and
- 2. Approve the formation of a Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee comprised of Mayor Liang Chao and Councilmember R "Ray" Wang to review potential opportunities and explore areas of focus for the Economic Development Committee (EDC).

Reasons for Recommendation

The Economic Development Committee consists of nine (9) members appointed by the City Council to overlapping four-year terms, comprised of five industry sector representatives, one City Council member, one Planning Commission representative, one Sustainability Commission representative, and one Technology, Information, and Communications Commission representative (see Municipal Code 2.96.010). The initial term for the representative expires January 30, 2026 (CMC §2.96.020). Regular meetings are held quarterly and as needed (time and location to be determined).

The City Council appoints Councilmembers to serve as representatives to local and regional organizations. Per the City Council Procedures Manual (Resolution No. 25-021), the Mayor appoints Councilmembers to standing and ad hoc committees and subcommittees established by the City Council, subject to ratification at the next regular Council meeting.

The City Council established the 2025 Committee assignments on December 17, 2024, and approved amendments on June 17, 2025. A further amendment is necessary to designate Council representatives to the Economic Development Committee (EDC). The amended 2025 Council Committee Assignments (Attachment A) designates a primary and alternate Councilmember to the EDC.

The Council may consider forming a City Council Ad Hoc Subcommittee, comprised of Mayor Liang Chao and Councilmember R "Ray" Wang. The Subcommittee would review potential opportunities and explore areas of focus for the EDC, including upcoming regional events such as the 2026 FIFA World Cup and Super Bowl LX. These events are expected to create opportunities for Cupertino in business engagement, hospitality, tourism, and community programming. If approved, the Subcommittee would provide recommendations to the full Council for consideration.

Sustainability Impact

No sustainability impact.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

City Work Program (CWP) Item/Description:

Small Business Council/Economic Development: Restore the Economic Development Committee

Council Goal:

Fiscal Strategy

California Environmental Quality Act

Not applicable.

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A – Draft Amended 2025 Council Committee Assignments (redline)

B – Draft Amended 2025 Council Committee Assignments (clean)