



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

July 7, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

Submitted By: Rosalia A. Butler, City Clerk

**SUBJECT: APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE POMONA CITY COUNCIL
GODDESS AND AWARD PRESENTATION POLICY**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-88 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING
AMENDMENTS TO THE POMONA CITY COUNCIL GODDESS AND
AWARD PRESENTATION POLICY**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Approval of Resolution No. 2025-88 (Attachment No. 1) will result in amendments to the existing Pomona City Council Goddess and Award Presentation Policy (Attachment No. 2). The proposed amendments add clarifications to the Goddess and Award Presentation Policy (Attachment No. 2) by removing positions that no longer exist and add language to indicate the number of times a Pomona Goddess may be awarded to any one person.

SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost to produce a Pomona Goddess varies, given that a local, sole vendor is unable to produce and fully assemble a goddess. Multiple vendors are used, one to produce the sculpture, one to produce the base, and a third vendor to produce the name plaques. During the most recent purchase of Pomona Goddess statues, the base cost of one statue was \$157. This does not include the shipping cost, nor the staff time used to assemble the statues. The proposed amendments, which clarify the circumstances under which a statue is awarded, are anticipated to help streamline the process and manage costs.

PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:

The original Pomona City Council Goddess and Award Policy was adopted on October 15, 1984. This policy was amended on January 8, 1990, September 18, 1995, March 6, 2000, April 3, 2006, and March 1, 2010.

DISCUSSION:

It is the desire of the City Council to acknowledge and show its gratitude to those individuals who have taken an active role in serving the community. The Goddess and Award Presentation Policy provides qualifications and procedures for the various types of awards and recognition certificates awarded by the City to individuals. The existing policy lists positions that no longer exist in the City, and ambiguous language surrounding when a Pomona Goddess is awarded has been identified by staff. The proposed amendments would eliminate the “City Youth Advisory Committee Members” from the Matrix of Recognition (Attachment No. 2) and would add language to clarify that a Pomona Goddess is to be awarded only once during an elected official’s lifetime of service, and only once during a commissioner’s lifetime of service.

Prepared by:

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ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2025-88

Attachment No. 2 – Pomona City Council Goddess and Award Policy