

CITY OF REDDING, CALIFORNIA

Council Policy

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Background

At the City Council meeting of October 20, 1987, the City Council requested the preparation of a policy statement with regard to the City's legislative position. The current City Council has, however, taken a slight different approach to this issue; therefore, the policy is being amended to conform to current practice.

Purpose

To establish the guidelines to be followed by City Council members, commission members, officers, and employees of the City of Redding in support of legislation.

Policy

The official position of the City of Redding on any bill or other legislative matter will be developed in accordance with the parameters described below:

1. City Council approval is required prior to the City of Redding taking an official position on any bill or other legislative matter if it is deemed to be controversial or if the City Council's position is unknown.
2. The Mayor may state the City of Redding's official position on bills and other legislative matters when an immediate response is required and/or when the City Council's position is known.
3. The City Manager or his designee may state the City of Redding's official position on routine and noncontroversial matters, e.g., budget issues, administrative regulations, grant applications, etc.

The City Manager shall determine the appropriate level of response.

Except as provided for above, no City Council member, commission member, officer, or employee of the City of Redding will take a position on legislation in a manner that conveys the impression of an official position on the part of the City.

This policy is not intended to preclude individuals from taking an individual position on legislation, so long as it does not appear to represent official City business.

Amended on May 6, 1997, by Resolution No. 97-074.