

## City of Foster City City Hall Flag Display Policy

**Purpose:** The purpose of this Policy is to proscribe the protocol for flags to be displayed on the three-pronged flag pole that stands just outside the entrance to the City Council Chambers building (Council Chambers Flagpole). It identifies the flags that are to be regularly flown on each of the three prongs and the process by which the Council may direct that an alternate flag be flown for a temporary period. Except as provided herein, no alternate flags may be flown on the Council Chambers Flagpole.

**Foster City Flag Protocol:** The City of Foster City currently maintains a "Foster City Flag Protocol" policy, which governs the display of flags at all five City facilities where flags are flown. This Policy is intended to supplement the Foster City Flag Protocol with respect to the Council Chambers Flagpole.

**General Display:** Except as otherwise provided for under this Policy, the Council Chambers Flagpole shall fly the Flag of the United States of America upon its tallest mast at the center of the display; shall fly the California State Flag on the mast that appears to the left of the center mast when viewed from the courtyard outside of the main entrance to the City Hall building; and a flag displaying the then-current Seal of the City of Foster City on the mast that appears to the right of the center mast.

**Alternative Flags:** The City Council may, by resolution, direct that commemorative flags be flown in addition to the flags of the United States of America, California State Flag, and City Flag. When this occurs, the State Flag shall be displayed on the pole below the Flag of the United States of America. The City Flag shall be displayed on the pole where the State Flag would otherwise be flown, and the commemorative flag shall be flown where the City Flag would otherwise be flown.

Catherine Malianpour	6/17/2020   11:39:00 AM PDT
Catherine Mahanpour, Mayor	Date

## RESOLUTION NO. 2020-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOSTER CITY ADOPTING A CITY HALL FLAG DISPLAY POLICY AND DIRECTING THAT THE LGBTQ PRIDE FLAG BE FLOWN FROM JUNE 17, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2020 IN RECOGNITION OF PRIDE MONTH PURSUANT TO THE CITY HALL FLAG DISPLAY POLICY

## CITY OF FOSTER CITY

WHEREAS, historically the City has flown the United States Flag, the California State Flag, and a Flag displaying the City's Seal on the three-pronged flagpole at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, display of flags at City-owned sites is governed by the Foster City Flag Protocol policy, but this policy does not specifically enumerate which flags are to be flown; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to affirm that the United State Flag, California State Flag and City Seal flags are to be regularly flown outside City Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Council also wishes to provide a method by which the City may, for temporary periods, fly an alternate flag in place of the flag displaying the City's Seal; and

WHEREAS, City staff proposed the attached City Hall Flag Display Policy to establish the process by which alternative flags may be approved by the City Council for display on the flagpole at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, the proposed City Hall Flag Display Policy is intended to supplement the Foster City Flag Protocol policy; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2020, the City Council proclaimed June 2020 as "LGBTQ Pride Month" in the City of Foster City; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to adopt the City Hall Flag Display Policy, which allows for alternate flags to be temporarily flown in place of the flag displaying the City's Seal on the flagpole outside City Hall, and to direct that the LGBTQ Pride Flag be flown from June 17, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Foster City does hereby adopt the attached City Hall Flag Display Policy, authorizes the Mayor to sign the policy and directs that the LGBTQ Pride Flag be flown in place of the flag displaying the City's Seal beginning June 17, 2020 and continuing through June 30, 2020 on the flagpole at City Hall.

PASSED AND ADOPTED as a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Foster City at the regular meeting held on the 15th day of June 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Awasthi, Gehani, and Hindi

NOES: Councilmember Froomin, and Mayor Mahanpour

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

CATHERINE MAHANPOUR, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Priscilla Schaus

PRISCILLA SCHAUS, CITY CLERK