

# Council Business Meeting

January 5, 2021

<b>Agenda Item</b>	Discussion of a Juneteenth Celebration	
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## **SUMMARY**

With the passage of Resolution No. 2020-15 in July 2020, the City Council agreed to address issues surrounding social equity and racial justice as outlined in the resolution. One item is a Council statement to “proclaim Juneteenth as an annual day of municipal commemoration and partner with communities of color and other local organizations to celebrate African American/Black culture on this day annually”.

## **POLICIES, PLANS & GOALS SUPPORTED**

Resolution No. 2020-15 Section 1.B. Proclaim Juneteenth as an annual day of municipal commemoration and partner with communities of color and other local organizations to celebrate African American/Black culture on this day annually.

## **PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION**

At the July 7, 2020 Council meeting ([minutes](#), [staff report](#)), Resolution No. 2020-15 a Resolution Declaring the City of Ashland’s Commitment to Social Equity and Racial Justice was approved. On December 1, 2020 ([minutes](#), [staff report](#)), the City Council decided that this item would be revisited in January 2021.

## **BACKGROUND AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Resolution No. 2020-15 Section 1.B. states that the Council will “proclaim Juneteenth as an annual day of municipal commemoration and partner with communities of color and other local organizations to celebrate African American/Black culture on this day annually”. Council tasked itself to identify organizations for the City to partner with for Juneteenth recognition and celebration. This agenda item will give the Council an opportunity to discuss possible avenues to explore for creating, supporting and/or participating in the Juneteenth Celebration.

## **FISCAL IMPACTS**

There are no fiscal impacts at this time. After discussion and direction on this topic, staff will be able to determine the costs associated with any actions that are needed to hold the Juneteenth Celebration.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

None

## **ACTIONS, OPTIONS & POTENTIAL MOTIONS**

I move to direct Staff to ...

## **REFERENCES & ATTACHMENTS**

None