COUNCIL AGENDA SYNOPSIS



ITEM NO.

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City of Tukwila



Allan Ekberg, Mayor

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO:	Committee of the Whole
FROM:	Laurel Humphrey, Council Analyst
DATE:	May 5, 2020
SUBJECT:	Statement Denouncing COVID-19 Related Discrimination

<u>ISSUE</u>

At the April 27, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, Councilmember Delostrinos Johnson requested and obtained consensus to develop a City Council statement denouncing COVID-19 related discrimination.

DRAFT STATEMENT

The Tukwila City Council is troubled by reports of anti-Asian rhetoric and bias emerging since the outbreak of COVID-19. As outlined in <u>Resolution 1970</u>, we are committed to leading a diverse, tolerant and welcoming community and we do not tolerate discrimination of any kind.

We denounce COVID-19 related misnaming, blaming, or harassment based upon race, immigration status, ethnicity, physical ability, socioeconomic status or religion.

We urge all community members to help stop the spread of misinformation and stay current through reputable sources such as the <u>Centers for Disease Control and</u> <u>Prevention</u>, the <u>WA State Department of Health</u>, and <u>Public Health – Seattle & King County</u>.

We ask community members who observe or experience hate crimes to call 911, and to report incidents of discrimination to the <u>Washington State Human Rights</u> <u>Commission</u>.

We are united in our resolve that everyone in our community is deserving of respect and safety as our community works through this pandemic together.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is seeking Council consensus on the statement, which will then be published on the City's website, social media, and Hazelnut.