City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Mayor & City Council Members

From: Allan Roeder

Dept:

Dept:

City Manager's Office

Subject:

REQUEST BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BEARD AND BUI TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 9315-

Date:

August 11, 2015

15 RELATING TO FEDERAL IMMIGRATION

POLICY

BACKGROUND

At the regular City Council meeting of July 28, 2015, the City Council considered a request from Mayor Nguyen for a resolution supporting President Obama's Executive Action on expanding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA) and urging other California Cities to pass Pro-Immigrant resolutions. A copy of the **proposed resolution** is attached for your information (see attachment A.)

Following public testimony and City Council deliberation, a motion was made and seconded to amend the resolution as follows:

Delete Sections 1, 2 & 3 under the "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED..." portion of the resolution

Add the following under the "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED..."portion of the resolution:

"...that the City Council of the City of Garden Grove urges Congress to pass federal legislative reform to fix our broken immigration system, but recognize that immediate relief thru executive action will benefit Garden Grove's families and economy."

A copy of the **approved, amended resolution** is attached (see attachment B)

Subsequent to the City Council's action, Council member Bui and Council member Beard contacted staff requesting that the resolution be rescinded. The Council members have indicated that the resolution does not reflect their legislative intent and that there was confusion over the specific amendments to the resolution. The Council members will address their request concerns at your meeting of August 11, 2015.

ALLAN ROEDER

City Manager's Office

Attachment A: Proposed Resolution

Attachment B: Amended Resolution July 28, 2015

Approved for Agenda listing

Scott C. Stiles City Manager

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18.a.

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA SUPPORTING PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S EXECUTIVE ACTION ON EXPANDING DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA) AND GRANTING DEFERRED ACTION FOR PARENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY (DAPA) AND URGING OTHER CALIFORNIA CITIES TO PASS PRO-IMMIGRANT RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2014, President Barack Obama issued a series of Executive Orders on immigration expanding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA), programs that exercise the use of prosecutorial discretion to defer removal action for certain individuals who meet several guidelines, including having come to the United States as children or have U.S. citizen or Legal Permanent Resident children, for a period of time. The programs uplift the American values of keeping families together;

WHEREAS, several states, including California, have filed an amicus brief explaining why the President has the authority to grant deportation relief to undocumented immigrants and how the new policies will benefit states economically;

WHEREAS, over 30 U.S. mayors from across the country, including Los Angeles and three other mayors in California, have formed a coalition to sign an amicus brief in January 2015 in support of the President's Executive Orders;

WHEREAS, more than 70 city officials from across the country, including an additional five signers from cities, counties, and U.S. mayors in California, joined an amicus brief in April 2015 to support the President's Executive Orders;

WHEREAS, over 141,000 individuals in Orange County, members of our communities, our neighbors, friends and family are eligible for DAPA, DACA, and expanded DACA;

WHEREAS, of the estimated 3,034,000 undocumented immigrants residing in California, 1,523,000 are eligible for DAPA, DACA, and expanded DACA;

WHEREAS, if these eligible immigrants receive work permits and driver's licenses, unleashing their earning potential, it could lead to the growth of the U.S. economy cumulatively by \$230 billion in 10 years, and a \$75.8 billion increase to its GDP over the next decade and the creation of 9,500 new jobs in California;

WHEREAS, Garden Grove exemplifies the value of diversity that recognizes the social, cultural and economic contributions of our immigrant community;

WHEREAS, immigrants fill a necessary role in local economies and the presidential Executive Orders grant immediate relief to immigrant families in Garden Grove; and

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WHEREAS, we still urge Congress to pass federal legislative reform to fix our broken immigration system, but recognize that immediate relief thru executive action will benefit Garden Grove's families and economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of the City of Garden Grove as follows:

 $\underline{\text{Section 1}}$. The City of Garden Grove will pledge its support to the effort implemented by the President's Executive Action on Immigration.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Mayor or his designee is authorized to voice support, participate in brainstorm sessions, outreach plans and execute such documents he deems necessary.

<u>Section 3</u>. Urge other mayors and city officials to sign on to any future amicus briefs and pass resolutions in support of President Barack Obama's Executive Action.

Approved for Agenda listing

Allan L. Roeder

Interim City Manager

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 9315-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, URGING CONGRESS TO PASS FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REFORM TO FIX OUR BROKEN IMMIGRATION SYSTEM, BUT RECOGNIZE THAT IMMEDIATE RELIEF THRU EXECUTIVE ACTION WILL BENEFIT GARDEN GROVE'S FAMILIES AND ECONOMY

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2014, President Barack Obama issued a series of Executive Orders on immigration expanding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA), programs that exercise the use of prosecutorial discretion to defer removal action for certain individuals who meet several guidelines, including having come to the United States as children or have U.S. citizen or Legal Permanent Resident children, for a period of time. The programs uplift the American values of keeping families together;

WHEREAS, several states, including California, have filed an amicus brief explaining why the President has the authority to grant deportation relief to undocumented immigrants and how the new policies will benefit states economically;

WHEREAS, over 30 U.S. mayors from across the country, including Los Angeles and three other mayors in California, have formed a coalition to sign an amicus brief in January 2015 in support of the President's Executive Orders;

WHEREAS, more than 70 city officials from across the country, including an additional five signers from cities, counties, and U.S. mayors in California, joined an amicus brief in April 2015 to support the President's Executive Orders;

WHEREAS, over 141,000 individuals in Orange County, members of our communities, our neighbors, friends and family are eligible for DAPA, DACA, and expanded DACA;

WHEREAS, of the estimated 3,034,000 undocumented immigrants residing in California, 1,523,000 are eligible for DAPA, DACA, and expanded DACA;

WHEREAS, if these eligible immigrants receive work permits and driver's licenses, unleashing their earning potential, it could lead to the growth of the U.S. economy cumulatively by \$230 billion in 10 years, and a \$75.8 billion increase to its GDP over the next decade and the creation of 9,500 new jobs in California;

WHEREAS, Garden Grove exemplifies the value of diversity that recognizes the social, cultural and economic contributions of our immigrant community; and

WHEREAS, immigrants fill a necessary role in local economies and the presidential Executive Orders grant immediate relief to immigrant families in Garden Grove.

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NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Garden Grove urges Congress to pass federal legislative reform to fix our broken immigration system, but recognize that immediate relief thru executive action will benefit Garden Grove's families and economy.

Adopted this 28th day of July 2015.

| ATTEST: /s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC CITY CLERK | /s/ BAO NGUYEN MAYOR |
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I, KATHLEEN BAILOR, City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove, California, at a meeting held on the 28th day of July 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

(3) BEARD, BUI, NGUYEN

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

(2) JONES, PHAN

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

(0) NONE

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK