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August 22, 2022

Via Electronic Mail to TBASS@ANAHEIM.NET

City of Anaheim
ATTN: Custodian of Records
Office of the City Clerk
200 S. Anaheim Blvd., Suite 217
Anaheim, CA 92805

Re: Request for Public Record – Little Arabia Designation

Dear Custodian of Records:

This Request for Public Records is being submitted on behalf of the American-Arab Anti Discrimination (ADC). The request is being submitted pursuant and in accordance with the applicable procedures and guidelines set forth by the City of Anaheim, and by the State of California Public Records Act (California Government Code §6250 et seq.). This request is being addressed and submitted to the Custodian of Records, office of the City Clerk, per the published guidelines from the City of Anaheim.

The American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) is the country's largest Arab American civil rights organization. ADC is headquartered in Washington, D.C., with members in every state, including California. ADC has members residing in the City of Anaheim, and has an interest in the records requested. ADC's objectives include combatting stereotypes and discrimination against and affecting the Arab community in the United States. ADC serves as a public voice for the Arab American community on policy issues and works to educate the American public about the Arab community in order to promote greater understanding of Arab history and culture.

The term "records" is intended in the broadest possible sense and includes but is not limited to all records or communications preserved in electronic or written form, including but not limited to correspondence, documents, data, videotapes, audiotapes, e-mails, faxes, files, guidance, guidelines, evaluations, legal opinions, instructions, analyses, directives, memoranda, agreements, notes, orders, policies, procedures, protocols, reports, rules, manuals, technical specifications, training manuals, and studies. This includes records kept in written form, electronic format on computers and/or other electronic storage devices, electronic communication and/or videotapes, and any other sub-regulatory guidance.

Request for Records

ADC is seeking the following records:

1. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Jose Diaz and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;



2. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilwoman Gloria Ma'ae and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
3. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Jose Moreno and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
4. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Steve Faessel and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
5. Any and all communications and documentation between Mayor ProTem Trevor O'Neil and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
6. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Lucille Kring and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
7. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilman Jordan Brandman and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
8. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilman James Vanderbilt and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
9. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Denise Barnes and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
10. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilman Richard Chavez and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
11. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Lori Galloway and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
12. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman and Commissioner Shirley McCracken and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
13. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Tom Tait and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
14. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Curt Pringle and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
15. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Harry Sidhu and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
16. Any and all communications and documentation between Director of Economic Development Mr. Sergio Ramirez and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;



17. Any and all communications and documentation between City Manager Mr. Jim Vanderpool and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
18. Any and all communications and documentation between Planning and Building Director Mr. Ted White and members of the general public pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
19. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Jose Diaz and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
20. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilwoman Gloria Ma'ae and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
21. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Jose Moreno and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
22. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Avelino Valencia and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
23. Any and all communications and documentation between Councilman Steve Faessel and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
24. Any and all communications and documentation between Mayor ProTem Trevor O'Neil and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
25. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Lucille Kring and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
26. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilman Jordan Brandman and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
27. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilman James Vanderbilt and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;



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28. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Denise Barnes and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
29. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Richard Chavez and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
30. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman Lori Galloway and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
31. Any and all communications and documentation between former Councilwoman and Commissioner Ms. Shirley McCracken and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
32. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Tom Tait and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
33. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Curt Pringle and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
34. Any and all communications and documentation between former Mayor Harry Sidhu and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
35. Any and all communications and documentation between Director of Economic Development Mr. Sergio Ramirez and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
36. Any and all communications and documentation between City Manager Mr. Jim Vanderpool and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
37. Any and all communications and documentation between Planning and Building Director Mr. Ted White and other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed designation of the Little Arabia District;
38. Any and all communications and documentation, including legal opinions and/or advisories pertaining to Little Arabia issued by The Office of the Anaheim City Attorney and/or Mr. Robert Fabela addressed to Anaheim City Officials, including current and former members of the City Council, Former Mayors, current and former staff, current and former appointees;



39. Any and all communications and documentation, including legal opinions and/or advisories pertaining to the cultural designation process in general, issued by The Office of the Anaheim City Attorney and/or Mr. Robert Fabela addressed to Anaheim City Officials, including current and former members of the City Council, Former Mayors, current and former staff, current and former appointees;
40. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Ms. Kay Carpenter in both her personal capacity, and in her capacity as Advisory Council and Board Member for Anaheim's First;
41. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Ms. Ameila Castro in both her personal capacity, and in her capacity as Neighborhood Leadership Council and Board Member for Anaheim's First;
42. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Anthony Novello in both his personal capacity, and in his capacity as Advisory Council and Board Member for Anaheim's First;
43. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Kris Murray in both his personal capacity, and in his official capacity as Advisory Council and Board Member for Anaheim's First, as well as in his official capacity as CEO of Visit Anaheim;
44. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Jay Buress in his personal capacity, and in his capacity as Advisory Council for Anaheim's First;
45. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. AB Abdulrahman in his personal capacity, and in his capacity as Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;
46. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Ms. Anh Pham in her personal capacity, and in her capacity as Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;
47. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Keith Olesen in his personal capacity, and in his capacity as President Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;



48. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Ms. Claudia Perez in her personal capacity, and in her capacity as Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;
49. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Mitch Lee in his personal capacity, and in his capacity as Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;
50. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Sergio Gonzalez in his personal capacity, and in his capacity as Advisory Council Chair for Anaheim's First;
51. Any and all agreements signed between the City of Anaheim and Anaheim's First, including consulting agreements;
52. Any and all reports and documents submitted from Anaheim's First to the City of Anaheim pertaining to the designation of the Little Arabia District;
53. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Mr. Todd Ament in both his personal capacity, and in his former capacity as CEO of Anaheim Chamber of Commerce;
54. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and members of the West Anaheim Neighborhood Development Council (WAND);
55. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and the late Ms. Esther Wallace in both her personal capacity, and in her former capacity as Chairwoman of the West Anaheim Neighborhood Development Council WAND;
56. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Ms. Sally Feldhaus;
57. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and members of Visit Anaheim;



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58. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and members of Save Our Anaheim Resorts (SOAR);
59. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and members of the Anaheim Chamber of Commerce;
60. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the Little Arabia designation between current and former members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, and Laura Cunningham in both her personal capacity, and in her former capacity as CEO of the Anaheim Chamber of Commerce;
61. Any and all communications and documentation between current members of the City Council, as well as with other officials from the City of Anaheim, including other councilmembers, appointees, staff, and elected officials, pertaining to the proposed Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
62. Any and all communications and documentation pertaining to the pertaining to the proposed Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022 between current a members of the Anaheim City Council, Office of the Mayor, or any other official representing the City of Anaheim, with members of the general public;
63. Any documentation outlining costs cost analysis and methodology used to determine costs related to Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
64. Any legal advisory opinions from the City of Anaheim Legal Department pertaining to the Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
65. Any meeting minute notes from the office of the Economic Developer pertaining the Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
66. Any meeting minute notes from the office of the Planning and Building Director pertaining the Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
67. Any meeting minute notes from the City Council pertaining to the Economic Development Department – Brookhurst Street Corridor Study dated August 9, 2022;
68. Copies of Official City of Anaheim public meeting announcements of all meetings discussing the Little Arabia designation;



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Format of Production

Please search for responsive records regardless of format, medium, or physical characteristics, and including electronic records. Please provide the requested documents in the following format:

- In PDF format;
- In electronically searchable format;
- Each record in a separately saved PDF file;
- “Parent-child” relationships maintained, meaning that the requester must be able to identify the attachments with emails;
- Any data records in native format (i.e. Excel spreadsheets in Excel);
- Emails should include BCC and any other hidden fields;
- With any other metadata preserved.
- Emailed if possible, or saved on a flash drive/thumb drive, CD, CD-ROM or DVD;

Fee Waiver Language

ADC is requesting a fee waiver for this request. Generally, a search for a public record may be conducted or copies of public records may be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge if the public body determines that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest because searching for or furnishing copies of the public record can be considered as primarily benefiting the general public.

ADC is a non-profit organization which regularly produces and publishes information for the public. ADC does not have a commercial purpose for the information; nor does the information implicate the rights of third persons. This information will be used for the public interest.

Requesters meet the requirements for a fee waiver because the subject of the request concerns the operations or activities of the government; the disclosure of the information is likely to contribute to a significant public understanding of government operations or activities due to the requesters’ expertise in the subject area and ability to convey the information; the Requesters’ primary interest is in disclosure; and they have no commercial interest in the information.

ADC has no commercial interest in this matter. The Requesters will make any information that they receive as a result of this FOIA request available to the public, including the press, at no cost.

Conclusion

If any or all of this request is denied, please provide the grounds for denials or redactions by reference to specific FOIA exemptions. We expect the City of Anaheim to release all reasonably segregable portions of otherwise exempt material. We reserve the right to appeal a decision to withhold any information.

In order to avoid delays in receiving records, ADC asks that records be produced on a rolling basis as they become available.



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Please Submit Records to:

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American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee
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Washington, D.C. 20011
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Thank you for your anticipated time and cooperation with this matter. Should you have any questions you can reach me directly.

Best,

Abed A. Ayoub, Esq.
National Legal and Policy Director