

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA APPROVING A CODE OF CIVIL DISCOURSE FOR THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA BASED ON THE MODEL DEVELOPED BY THE NATIONAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION CENTER

WHEREAS, the National Conflict Resolution Center (NCRC) is a San Diego based non-profit dedicated to the promotion of respectful and constructive engagement within organizations and communities to improve relations and to solve problems;

WHEREAS, as a guideline for civil engagement, the NCRC has drafted a Code of Civil Discourse;

WHEREAS, after discussions with the Mayor and the City Attorney, consideration of the Code in Chula Vista was referred to the newly formed Human Relations Commission (HRC);

WHEREAS, at the HRC's July 26, 2018 regular meeting, the NCRC presented its Code to the HRC and the HRC voted 8-1 to present the Code to the City Council for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, this item implements the HRC recommendation that the City Council adopt a Code of Civil Discourse based on the NCRC version.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA, THAT IT HEREBY:

1. Adopts the City of Chula Vista Code of Civil Discourse in the form attached hereto ("Code").
2. Recommends that other City Boards and Commissions also consider, adopt and follow this Code.
3. Directs the City Manager to work with City staff to explore ways that the precepts of this Code be included as guidelines for employee conduct among themselves and with the public.
4. Directs that a copy of the Code be posted at the entrance to Chambers, and other appropriate locations as determined by the City Manager.

Presented by:

Approved as to form by:

Paola Martinez-Montes,
Chair of the Human Relations
Commission

Glen R. Googins,
City Attorney