

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

City of Anaheim CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2021

FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 420 IN

EFFORT TO SAFELY REOPEN CALIFORNIA THEME PARKS

ATTACHMENT (Y/N): YES ITEM # 12

REQUESTED ACTION:

That the City Council, by Resolution, support Assembly Bill 420 in an effort to safely reopen theme parks.

DISCUSSION:

Mayor Harry Sidhu requested an agenda item and Resolution in support of Assembly Bill 420 (AB 420) for consideration by the City Council. The prolonged COVID-19 pandemic related closures of theme parks and amusement parks have resulted in devastating impacts to surrounding businesses and communities, particularly in Anaheim.

On February 4, 2021, Assembly Members Sharon Quirk-Silva and Suzette Martinez Valladares introduced AB 420, which would assist in the safe reopening of theme parks in California. On October 20, 2020, the California State Department of Public Health and the Division of Occupational Safety and Health issued "COVID-19 INDUSTRY GUIDANCE: Amusement Parks and Theme Parks," as part of the state's *Blueprint for a Safer Economy*. The guidance document would authorize small amusement parks to operate at a limited capacity when its county is in the moderate tier, and authorizes any other amusement park to operate at 25% capacity when its county is in the minimal tier. The intent of AB 420 is to adjust the guidance document for all amusement parks and theme parks, regardless of size, to reopen safely in the same moderate risk tier.

The proposed Resolution formally expresses the City of Anaheim's support of AB 420.

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

There is no budgetary impact.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Vanderpool City Manager

Attachment:

1. Resolution

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