

SUBJECT:           **INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE**

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**STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT:**

The purpose of this item is to provide information on the definition of antisemitism from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance as requested by the Commission at the July 11, 2022, Commission meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive, compile input or feedback, and prepare a memo to submit to the City Council.

**BACKGROUND/ ANALYSIS:**

At the July 11, 2022, Public Safety Commission meeting staff received direction to add an item at the next Commission meeting to discuss and consider to request staff to prepare a memo to the City Council to adopt a resolution concerning the definition of antisemitism from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance.

Staff conducted research on the adopted definition of antisemitism on the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) website and found their non-legally binding working definition of antisemitism reflected below:

“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

More information regarding the date of IHRA’s definition adoption and background can be found on their website at this link:

<https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/resources/working-definitions-charters/working-definition-antisemitism>