



Date: July 21, 2015
To: Technology & Innovation Commission
From: Bryan Sastokas, Director, Technology and Innovation Department
For: Mayor Robert Garcia
Subject: **Open Data Policy**

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On July 14, 2015, Mayor Robert Garcia requested that the City Manager, in consultation with the City's Technology and Innovation Commission (TIC), develop an Open Data Policy. I have attached a copy of the Mayor's letter to the City Council to provide background information on the item.

In addition to the TIC's input, it is the Technology and Innovation Department's (TID) intent to reach out to the Citizen Technology Advisory Committee (CTAC) and the public by holding several community meetings to solicit input on Open Data policy formation, as well as the initial types of data sets that our constituents would find most useful. By using input from this "crowdsourcing" method, staff will develop an Open Data policy that better meets the needs of our customers and constituents.

Staff would appreciate members of the Commission assisting with the organization of these community meetings. TID views these meetings as a first step in developing an ongoing relationship with community members and looks forward to the Commissioners participation in making these events a success.

Attachment