



AGENDA REPORT

City Council

DATE:	November 26, 2024
TO:	Mayor Martinez and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Councilmember Soheila Bana
Subject:	Resolution Honoring the Task Force and Directing Actions to Address Gender-Based Violence and a Presentation from the Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	\$6,000 over the next six months which will provide the material support and staffing necessary to finalize the Task Force's recommendations, workplans and implementation strategy
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	None
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence has been working collaboratively with community organizations, county agencies, and advocates over the past year to address the pervasive issue of gender-based violence in Richmond.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	RECEIVE a presentation from the Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence summarizing their impact with recommendations for addressing gender-based violence in Richmond. APPROVE a resolution recognizing November 25, 2024, as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and the beginning of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. APPROPRIATE \$6,000 from the General Fund balance for staffing and support. REQUEST the City Manager designate a staff person to serve as the official

	<p>liaison to the Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence, to attend all Task Force Meetings and provide technical assistance, advice and support to the body, and to provide a follow-up report in approximately six-months' time to seek the City Council's support for specific recommendations, workplans, and actions to end gender-based violence in Richmond.- Council Member Soheila Bana (510-620-6743).</p>
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DISCUSSION:

The Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence, comprised of representatives from community organizations, county agencies, and advocacy groups, has developed recommendations to address gender-based violence in Richmond. Their work aligns with global efforts, such as the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence.

This agenda item provides the City Council with an opportunity to recognize and honor the coalition's contributions, formalize support through a resolution, and commit to actionable steps toward eliminating gender-based violence in Richmond.

SYNERGISTIC POLICIES:

This agenda item aligns with the City's commitment to health, equity, public safety, and community well-being. It complements existing city initiatives aimed at violence prevention and community engagement.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

- Attachment 1 – Resolution
- Attachment 2 – Presentation Slides from the Richmond Task Force to Eliminate Gender-Based Violence