

# City of Minneapolis

## Request for Committee Action

**To:** Committee of the Whole  
**Date:** 2/8/2017  
**From:** City Coordinator's Office  
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**File Type:** Resolution  
**Subcategory:** Board-Commission-Task Force

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**Subject:**

Transgender Equity Council

**Description:**

Passage of Resolution establishing the Transgender Equity Council to serve as an advisory board to the City Council on matters of importance to the Transgender community.

**Previous Actions:**

Resolution No. 2016R-209: Supporting continued efforts to further transgender equity in the City of Minneapolis. [16-00719](#): Transgender Equity Resolution

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**Ward/Address:**

All Wards

**Background/Analysis:**

The City of Minneapolis' Transgender Issues Work Group was established in March 2014 to look at issues facing the Transgender community. The group's goal is to examine issues, engage the broader community, and make policy recommendations for City government that will affect the lives of Transgender residents of Minneapolis. The work group includes participants from City departments, City Council offices, the Mayor's office, and the community. The group is taking a systematic approach to examine issues and develop policy recommendations that could be adopted by the City.

To continue this work and support equity for transgender and gender nonconforming people the City Council and Mayor of Minneapolis passed a resolution in 2016 supporting continued efforts to further transgender equity in the City of Minneapolis, including the creation of a permanent advisory body.

The proposed Transgender Equity Council would be an advisory board to the City Council on matters of importance to the Transgender community, and comprised of 15-voting members appointed in accordance with the City's Open Appointment process in support of Minneapolis Code of Ordinance section 14.180 enabling the city to "create and support organizations that enhance community engagement in the city's decision-making process."

**Financial Review:**

**No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.**

**Attachments:**

1. Proposed resolution establishing the Transgender Equity Council.