



# Commission of the Deaf Memorandum

*City of Arts & Innovation*

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**TO: COMMISSION OF THE DEAF** **DATE: MAY 13, 2026**

**FROM: COMMISSION OF THE DEAF** **WARDS: ALL**

**SUBJECT: FORMAL REQUEST TO ESTABLISH AN OFFICE OF THE DEAF AND  
DISABILITY SUPPORT (ODDS)**

**ISSUE:**

That the Commission of the Deaf discuss establishing an Office of Deaf and Disability Support (ODDS) within the City of Riverside.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission of the Deaf review, discuss and provide input to establish an Deaf and Disability Support (ODDS) in the City of Riverside effective Fiscal Year 2026-27.

**DISCUSSION:**

On April 8, 2026, letter was submitted from the Commission of the Deaf, in coordination with the Commission on Disabilities, to formally request that the City of Riverside establish, fund and operationalize an Office of the Deaf and Disability Support (ODDS) beginning with Fiscal Year 2026-27.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

Prepared by: Nancy Crunk, Deputy City Clerk  
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Attachment: Formal Request Letter dated April 8, 2026