



AGENDA ITEM #10.3

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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Subject: Mississippi State Flag Removal Discussion

Report: On June 28 Mississippi's legislature passed a bill to retire the current version of the flag and commission the design of a new one: the bill was signed into law by the state's governor on June 30. The law called for the new design to include the words "In God We Trust" and prohibited the use of the Confederate Battle Flag. The new design is due to be completed in September and is to be put to a vote in November 2020. Until a new flag design is approved by voters, Mississippi would not have an official flag.

Council Action Requested: Council directive on whether to wait for the Mississippi Governor's office direction for the flag or to remove the flag.