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## Report to Mayor and City Council

Tuesday, April 04, 2023

Discussion

### SUBJECT:

**CONSIDERATION OF PURSUING THE NEXT STEPS TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY AFFILIATION WITH AWKA, NIGERIA (CITY COUNCIL).**

### I. SUMMARY

City Council's direction will authorize staff and the Carson Sister Cities Association to execute the next steps recommended by Sister Cities International for establishing a sister city relationship with Awka, Nigeria.

### II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. DIRECT staff to meet with the Carson Sister Cities Association's (CSCA) Nigeria subcommittee to appraise the benefits of creating a sister city relationship. This partnership should be strategic and mutually beneficial.
2. DIRECT staff to draft a formal letter that will be sent to Awka, Nigeria to establish a

direct line of communication.

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### **III. ALTERNATIVES**

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

### **IV. BACKGROUND**

Staff is seeking the City Council directions to advance the interest in Awka, Nigeria as a possible Sister City. The sister city relationship with Awka, Nigeria is a means of promoting a growing awareness and appreciation of each other's culture and people by developing a variety of educational, professional, economic development, and technical interactions.

The sister city relationship is not only expected to strengthen friendship ties, but more importantly, institute a working avenue of communication in facilitating exchange of information and technology, urban planning and development, socio-cultural activities, tourism, trade and other important aspects of local governance that are beneficial for both local government units.

### **V. FISCAL IMPACT**

No fiscal impact at this time.

### **VI. EXHIBITS**

1. Awka, Nigeria Preliminary Research (pgs. 3 - 5)
2. Sister Cities International's Guide for Establishing Sister City Relationships (pgs. 6 - 8)

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