

Examples of Multicultural Prayer/Pledge and Opening Statement

Multicultural Prayer Examples

 Holy One, known by many names and beyond all names—Spirit of Life, Spirit of Love, Spirit of Community, Spirit of Justice: We ask your blessings on the people who have been called to lead the community in which we live and work and play.
 *Referenced from Invocation for City Council Meeting | WorshipWeb | UUA.org

 GOD OF MANY NAMES: Jehovah, Yahweh, Allah, The One, the Tao, Spirit of Life, God our Father and God our Mother, come to us all and be a vital presence in the work of all the community of faith. Be present in the work of all the community of faith.
 *Referenced from <u>Multifaith Prayer Service for the Nation | Practicing Democracy | Spirituality &</u> <u>Practice (spiritualityandpractice.com)</u>

- 3. We pray that we may be loving and able stewards of this world. We pray that we acknowledge our differences as we seek out our common ground, each of us working toward the good of all.
 *Referenced from Interfaith Prayer of the World, JCI New Jersey
- We pray for wisdom to provide good governance for the City of Adelaide in the service of our community.
 *Referenced from City of Unley
- 5. May the work we do in this place be conducted in a spirit of service to the life of the people of this city, and to the land it is built upon.
- 6. May the decisions we make advance this spirit, and the prosperity and true welfare of those we serve.

Council Pledge Examples

- We seek wisdom and understanding as we face the duties of our united task, praying for the peace and prosperity of our City.
 *Referenced from City of Prospect
- May we in this meeting speak honestly, listen attentively, think clearly and decide wisely for the good governance of the City of Adelaide and the wellbeing of those we serve.
 *Referenced from City of Campbelltown

Opening Statement Example

1. We seek understanding and guidance in our debate, as we make decisions that will impact on the lives of all those who reside, study, work in and visit the City of Adelaide. Grant us wisdom as we serve our community.

*Referenced City of Burnside

The City of Adelaide acknowledges the Kaurna people as the Traditional Owners of the Country where