

HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 10-

Introduced by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE PROJECT IS  
CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA REVIEW AND  
APPROVING THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in January 2009, the City Council indicated that work on the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance was a priority, particularly related to Land Use and Sustainability priorities; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2008, the City Council approved the selection of Circa: Historic Property Development (Circa), to perform a Historical Resources Survey and Inventory Report, to be accompanied by the Historic Context Statement, and recommendations for amendments to the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Program consists of the Historical Resources Survey and Inventory Report and the Historic Context Statement prepared by Circa, as well as the Historic Preservation Ordinance, and the Historic Preservation Program Issues, Goals, Objectives and Actions; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Program is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment. The Historic Preservation Program will not have a significant effect on the environment and this determination reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has considered the Historic Preservation Program at a public hearing held on April 15, 2010, and has recommended that the City Council finds that the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA and approves the Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the Historic Preservation Program at a public hearing duly noticed and held on May 18, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby finds and determines as follows:

I. CEQA FINDING.

The Historic Preservation Program is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment. The Historic Preservation Program will not have a significant effect on the environment and this determination reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis.

II. FINDINGS FOR APPROVAL OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

The Historic Preservation Program will promote the public health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City by providing for the identification, protection, enhancement, perpetuation and use of historical resources, including buildings, structures, signs, objects, features, sites, historic and prehistoric archaeological sites, places, districts, designed landscapes, cultural landscapes and areas within the City that reflect special elements of the City's architectural, artistic, cultural, engineering, aesthetic, historical, political, social and other heritage. The protection of historical resources will achieve the following objectives: safeguarding the heritage of the City as embodied and reflected in such resources; encouraging public knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the City's past; fostering civic and neighborhood pride and a sense of identity based on community character and the recognition and use of historical resources; promoting the enjoyment and use of historical resources appropriate for the education and recreation of the inhabitants of the City; preserving historic architectural styles and design preferences reflecting phases of the City's history and to encourage complementary contemporary design and construction; enhancing property values and to increase economic and financial benefits to the City and its inhabitants; protecting and enhancing the City's attraction to tourists and visitors (thereby stimulating business and industry); identifying as early as possible and resolving conflicts between the preservation of the historical resources and alternative land uses; integrating the preservation of historical resources and the extraction of relevant data from such resources into public and private land management and development processes; and conserving and recycling valuable community resources by continuing use and maintenance of the historic built environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby approves the Historical Resources Survey and Inventory, the Historic Context Statement, and the Historic Preservation Program Issues, Goals, Objectives and Actions, attached hereto as Exhibits A, B, and C, respectively, and resolves to participate in the Mills Act Program, subject to the adoption of the companion Historic Preservation Ordinance.

IN COUNCIL, HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MAYOR:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ATTEST:  
City Clerk of the City of Hayward

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney of the City of Hayward