

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-124

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

March 9, 2010

FRED MAYES JEWELERS' STREET CLOCK RESTORATION PROJECT; ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE BUDGET, APPROPRIATING FUNDING, APPROVING AN INDIVIDUAL PROJECT AGREEMENT, AND RECOGNIZING THE CLOCK GIFT AND VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

BACKGROUND

- A. In 1946 the street clock located at 1006 J Street was installed by Tom Monk, a former Mayor of Sacramento, when he relocated his jewelry store. Mr. Monk modified the original clock design to remove the globe lights, add neon and place a ring at the top. The clock was subsequently owned by Fred Mayes when he purchased the jewelry store from Mr. Monk in 1963, and it became known as the Fred Mayes Jewelers' Clock (the "Clock"). In 1982, the City Council designated the Clock as a historic Landmark in its condition as altered by Mr. Monk.
- B. In 1993, the Clock was restored, with funding from the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento ("Agency") and Sacramento Heritage, Inc, but the timepiece remained inoperable. Thereafter, the Clock had been vandalized and since 2006, after Mr. Mayes retired and his jewelry store was sold, the Clock has become unsightly.
- C. The Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento ("Agency") has adopted the Merged Downtown Redevelopment Plan ("Redevelopment Plan") and an Implementation Plan for the Merged Downtown Project Area ("Project Area"). One of the streetscape blighting influences in the Project Area is the existing condition of the Clock.
- D. Grieg Best, as part of his master's thesis, undertook research to determine the history of the Clock and worked with Mr. Mayes widow, Faye Marie Mayes, and the current owner of the property at 1006 J Street, Yee Moo Kai Association (Yees), to obtain their support for the restoration of the Clock. In order to clear up the ownership of the Clock, both Ms. Mayes and the Yees will sign documents to relinquish any interest they may have in the Clock so it becomes City property.
- E. Mr. Best submitted an application to the City's Community Development Department and Sacramento Heritage Inc. Board for a Historic Places Grant to fund half of the costs to repair the Clock, which has been approved, and he has sought out other funding for the grant match. Mr. Best also worked with City Preservation Staff to determine the rehabilitation scope and estimated costs for repair of the Clock.
- F. Mr. Best also contacted the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors to assist in this timepiece restoration project and obtained approval of the Downtown

Sacramento Partnership to assist on monitoring the Clock's condition and assisting with graffiti removal after the Clock is restored.

- G. Establishing a Capital Improvement Project (CIP) is needed in order to accurately record and account for the receipt and disbursement of funds for this Project.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The restriction on funding public improvements under the Historic Places Grant Program is hereby waived for the Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project. The allocation of a \$12,000 grant from the Historic Places Grant Program, as recommended by the Board of Sacramento Heritage, Inc., for the Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project is hereby approved.
- Section 2. Pursuant to Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code, the City Council finds that: (a) the proposed Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project at 10th and J Streets will benefit the immediate neighborhood and the Project Area by repairing a deteriorated and unsightly element of the existing street furniture and will increase pedestrian lighting; (b) the City has allocated funds for a portion of the costs of this Project, but there are no other reasonable means of financing the remaining costs of this Project available to the community; and (c) the payment of Agency funds for the costs of this Project is consistent with the Amended Merged Downtown Redevelopment Plan and the 2010-15 Merged Downtown Redevelopment Implementation Plan and will assist in eliminating the existing blighting condition of the dilapidated and damaged Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock located along J Street.
- Section 3. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to establish the Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project (T15105100) CIP.
- Section 4. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized to establish the necessary revenue and expense budgets to implement the \$24,000 project (T15105100): \$12,000 – Historic Places Fund (2024); \$6,000 – Tax Increment Fund (3701); and \$6,000 – CDBG Fund (2700) (at such time as that is approved by the Redevelopment Agency) for the Fred Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project.
- Section 5. City staff is hereby authorized to take all other actions as may be needed to implement the Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock Restoration Project, contingent on receipt of \$6,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds for this project.
- Section 6. The City of Sacramento hereby recognizes and thanks Grieg Best, Faye Marie Mayes, Yee Moo Kai Association, the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Sacramento Valley Chapter #71 and the Sierra Nevada Chapter #65, and the Downtown Sacramento Partnership for their support and contributions for the restoration and preservation of the Fred Mayes Jewelers' Street Clock.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on March 9, 2010 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters, and Mayor Johnson.

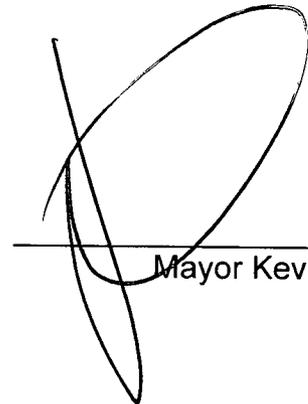
Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

Attest:


Shirley Concolino, City Clerk



Mayor Kevin Johnson