

COUNCIL AGENDA: October 1, 2013

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION FOR THE DONATION OF A SIREN TO BE INSTALLED AT FIRE STATION #1

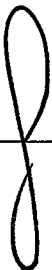
SOURCE: City Manager

COMMENT: City Council Member McCracken requested, and the Council approved, the consideration of adopting a Resolution of Recognition of the efforts of the Exchange Club of Porterville and American Legion Post #20 in donating the funds for the purchase and installation of a siren at Fire Station #1, to be used as a signal for the Moment of Silence at the Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month during the Annual Veteran's Day Parade. Council Member McCracken also proposed the installation of a plaque at Fire Station #1 to commemorate the donation, which is estimated to cost approximately \$500, and would be funded from the Council's Special Purposes Fund.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider adopting a Resolution of Recognition authorizing the preparation and installation of a plaque commemorating the efforts and donation of the Exchange Club of Porterville and the American Legion Post #20 of a siren at Fire Station #1, funded from the Council's Special Purposes Fund.

ATTACHMENT: Draft Resolution

C/M



Item No. 10

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE  
RECOGNIZING THE EXCHANGE CLUB OF PORTERVILLE AND  
AMERICAN LEGION POST #20 FOR THEIR DONATION OF A SIREN TO BE  
INSTALLED AT FIRE STATION #1

WHEREAS, the city of Porterville held a parade on November 11, 1918, in celebration of Armistice Day ending World War I; and

WHEREAS, the city of Porterville annually remembers this historic occasion with a parade and a moment of silence at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month as tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, until 1996 the moment of silence was announced by sounding the warning siren at Fire Station #1; and

WHEREAS, the solemnity of the annual remembrance of the War to End All Wars has suffered since 1996 when the siren became inoperative; and

WHEREAS, the Exchange Club of Porterville recognized the need for a siren as an integral component of the remembrance; and

WHEREAS, the Exchange Club of Porterville, with the assistance of American Legion Post 20, has raised the funds necessary to purchase and install a replacement siren; and

WHEREAS, the Exchange Club of Porterville, together with the American Legion Post #20, has offered a donation of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to the City of Porterville for the purchase and installation of a siren at Fire Station #1 to be used to announce the moment of silence during the Veterans' Day Parade and for other city emergencies as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville has accepted the unsolicited donation and agrees to purchase and install the siren at Fire Station #1; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to recognize the efforts of the Exchange Club of Porterville and American Legion Post 20 in perpetuity.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED as follows:

That the City of Porterville thank the Exchange Club of Porterville and American Legion Post 20 for the unsolicited donation, and be it further resolved that the donation be memorialized by means of a brass plaque, commissioned at the expense of the City of Porterville, containing:

- The names of both the Exchange Club of Porterville and the American Legion Post 20;
- The date of installation of the siren;
- The inscription, "In remembrance of those who made the ultimate sacrifice"; and
- The names of Pete Lara, President of the Exchange Club of Porterville, and David Nena, Commander, American Legion Post 20.

And that said plaque shall be installed on Fire Station #1 where the public may view it.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF October, 2013.

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Cameron J. Hamilton, Mayor

ATTEST:  
John D. Lollis, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk