



TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Michelle Greene, City Manager

CONTACT: Ryan Kintz, Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution Supporting Funding Request for the Goleta Community Center

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. 20 -__, entitled "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Goleta, California, supporting the Community Project Funding request to Congressman Salud Carbajal's Office for funding for the Goleta Community Center Upgrades."

BACKGROUND:

On April 8, 2021, City staff was contacted by Congressman Salud Carbajal's Office regarding the introduction of Community Project Funding, a supplement to the traditional federal appropriations process that allows for direct project inclusion in federal appropriation bills. One of the requirements on the application included passing a resolution by local governments showing the support for this funding request.

DISCUSSION:

Upon review of the Community Project Funding opportunity through Congressman Salud Carbajal's office, staff determined the seismic and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements needed at the Goleta Community Center would be the most appropriate project for this funding request. Staff completed the application for the Goleta Community Center seismic and ADA improvements requesting a total of \$6,373,765 by the April 16, 2021 deadline. The proposed resolution is a requirement for this funding application. (Attachment 1.)

FISCAL IMPACTS:

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this action.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council can choose not to adopt the proposed resolution. However, doing so

might disqualify the City's funding application.

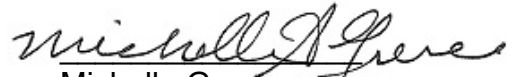
Reviewed By:


Kristine Schmidt
Assistant City Manager

Legal Review By:


Michael Jenkins
City Attorney

Approved By:


Michelle Greene
City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution Supporting the Community Project Funding Request for the Goleta Community Center

ATTACHMENT 1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY
PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST TO CONGRESSMAN
SALUD CARBAJAL'S OFFICE FOR FUNDING FOR THE
GOLETA COMMUNITY CENTER UPGRADES

RESOLUTION NO. 21-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST TO CONGRESSMAN SALUD CARBAJAL'S OFFICE FOR FUNDING FOR THE GOLETA COMMUNITY CENTER UPGRADES

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center, a valuable community resource for the City of Goleta, which provides venue and equipment rental services for over 90 non-profits and over 50 commercial establishments, has sustained damage from years of use and the original construction of the auditorium was not done to current building code standards; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center serves all facets and age groups of the Goleta community, from child-care to senior services, with a special commitment toward other non-profits and provides critical services and resources to the community in areas such as the arts, recreation, literacy, environmentalism/conservation, technology, scientific and educational resources and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center serves as an American Red Cross shelter site, that has been used during recent fires in the Santa Barbara South Coast area and provides Goleta's senior population an invaluable location to create and build community adding value to those feeling isolated as they age, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center has also proved to be a critical resource during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing support to the adjacent disadvantaged community, and homeless population; whereby the facility provided two temporary, portable restrooms, including an ADA accessible unit, and served as a drive-thru and walk-up distribution site for food, emergency sanitation & hygienic supplies; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center also accommodates clients of the New Beginnings Counseling Center Safe Parking program and throughout the pandemic the Goleta Community Center served and is currently providing a site for COVID-19 testing; and

WHEREAS, the Goleta Community Center also serves as a ballot box drop site during elections and played an integral role during the 2020 census by providing computer access and a place to complete the 2020 census questionnaire for members of the community without internet access and provided staff on hand to assist in both English and Spanish; and

WHEREAS, the City has contributed significant staff time and resources over the past several years to identify the building's risks and damage and potential solutions and seismic studies have shown that there is significant risk to the continuance of assembly operations in the Auditorium and Dining Room areas

at the Community Center; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goleta Building Official and seismic evaluations prepared by City hired consultants have determined that the Goleta Community Center building is vulnerable to severe damage due to potential seismic activity and therefore the auditorium and dining room area of the building has been closed since January, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the needed seismic upgrades will also trigger updated American with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is needed to complete these improvements to allow the Auditorium and Dining Hall of the Goleta Community Center to reopen and continue to provide valuable resources to the Goleta community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLETA, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE REQUEST FOR FUNDING TO CONGRESSMAN SALUD CARBAJAL'S OFFICE TO COMPLETE THE SEISMIC AND ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GOLETA COMMUNITY CENTER.

SECTION 1.

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this__day of____2021.

PAULA PEROTTE
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DEBORAH S. LOPEZ
CITY CLERK

MICHAEL JENKINS
CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA) ss.
CITY OF GOLETA)

I, DEBORAH S. LOPEZ, City Clerk of the City of Goleta, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. 21-__ was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Goleta at a regular meeting held on the 4th day of May, 2021, by the following roll call vote of the City Council:

AYES: NONE
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

(SEAL)

DEBORAH S. LOPEZ
CITY CLERK