

July 18, 2002

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
July 23, 2002

**DESIGNATION OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER AS A LOCAL LANDMARK AND
AUTHORIZING THE HERMOSA BEACH ARTS FOUNDATION TO FILE AN
APPLICATION WITH THE GETTY FOUNDATION FOR A GRANT**

Recommendation:

1. That the City Council adopt the attached resolution designating the Community Center as a local landmark;
2. Authorize the Hermosa Beach Arts Foundation to file a application on behalf of the City of Hermosa Beach with the Getty Foundation under the Preserve Los Angeles Planning Grants Program; and
3. Direct the City Manager to work with the Hermosa Beach Arts Foundation to provide assistance in completing the grant application.

Background:

The attached resolution is intended to state the City Council's position that the Community Center is a local landmark. This is necessary for the Hermosa Beach Arts Foundation to complete an application with the Getty Foundation Preserve Los Angeles Planning Grant Program. In addition, the City Council needs to authorize the Foundation to file the application on behalf of the City. This will be transmitted in the form of a letter to the Getty Foundation as part of the complete application package that they seeking.

The grant guidelines are attached as part of this memo for your information. The Planning Grants are awarded in amounts up to \$75,000. The purpose of this grant is to develop a plan to identify preservation needs and develop a plan for conservation, future use and maintenance of the buildings.

This local designation does not have any long-term impact on the Community Center. This would be the beginning of the process that could in the future lead to historical designation if it is determined to be helpful to the goals of the City. This designation would not result in the Community Center from coming under the City's Historical Preservation Ordinance.

As a planning grant, the entire Community Center and site should be considered. If the grant is received and the plan developed, the City would have full discretion on what areas or parts of the buildings to be included in any future improvements, planning, and additional uses. This would go along with the Master Plan process that is budgeted for this fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Burrell
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 02-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE HERMOSA BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER AS A LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT LANDMARK IN HERMOSA BEACH.

WHEREAS, the Hermosa Beach Community Center is an outstanding example of Art Deco architecture, and

WHEREAS, the Hermosa Beach Community Center has first constructed as Pier Avenue School in 1936; and,

WHEREAS, the Hermosa Beach Community Center serves as a cultural and recreational center for the residents of Hermosa Beach as well as other South Bay cities;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY DESIGNATE THE HERMOSA BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER AS A LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT LANDMARK.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 23rd Day of July, 2002.

PRESIDENT of the City Council and MAYOR of the City
of Hermosa Beach, California

ATTEST:

, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

, CITY ATTORNEY