Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of November 14, 2006

KIWANIS CLOCK IN PIER PLAZA

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council provide direction to staff regarding the location of the clock and the design of the clock base.

Summary:

At its last regularly scheduled meeting, Council directed staff to reject all bids for installing the clock as part of a vehicle barrier at the Hermosa Avenue end of the Pier Plaza and to bring back to Council options for placing the clock in the center of the Plaza. Staff reviewed this proposal and determined that this would not be a good location because it would block emergency vehicle access through the Plaza due to the granite blocks on either side. One solution would be to relocate the granite blocks however that would be quite costly due to the expensive lithocrete patching that would be required.

Staff therefore recommends Council consider the following two options (shown on the attached plan):

Option 1: Locate near the mid-point of the Plaza but on the north side adjacent to Loreto Plaza. This location has fairly good visibility in each direction when placed halfway between the palm trees and the face of the buildings as shown. If this location is selected, staff recommends installing the clock at grade with no pedestal or benches due to restrictiveness of this area.

Option 2: Locate in the center of the Plaza but near Hermosa Avenue as originally directed by Council on February 8, 2005 (see attached excerpt from minutes). The location shown would provide adequate clear aisles on both sides for emergency vehicle access. This location would work well with a 4-foot by 4-foot square, 2-foot high concrete pedestal with teak benches placed around the base. This base design is a proposal Dallas Yost seemed to support (see attached modified photo).

It is requested that Council direct staff as to preferred option or select another location. Staff will design the plan for the selected option and competitively bid the construction and bring back to Council for approval to award the contract. The clock is now standing in the Public Works maintenance building and is available for viewing.

Fiscal Impact:

Option 1 would be the least costly because power is nearby and no base or benches are included. Staff estimates installation of Option 1 to be \$10,000 - \$15,000. Option 2 would require a longer run to get power and would require repair of the lithocrete where trenching is required (at a cost of approximately \$18,000). The total cost for Option 2 is estimated to be between \$32,000 and \$37,000. Current available funding is \$25,131.

Attachments:

- 1. Plan
- 2. Excerpt from 2/8/05 Council meeting minutes
- 3. modified photo

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. Morgan, P.E. Director of Public Works/City Engineer

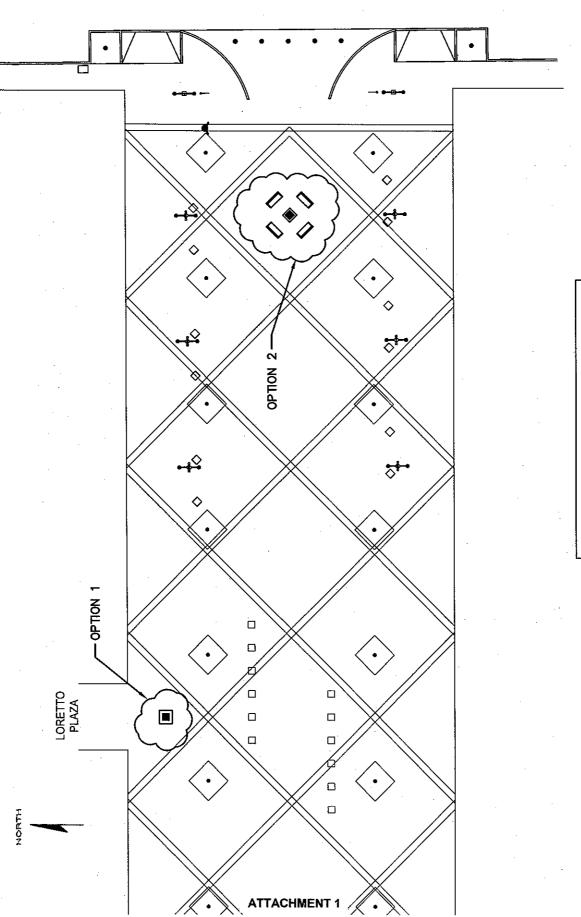
Noted for fiscal impact:

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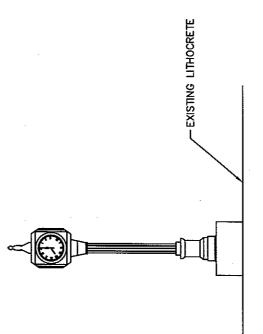
Concur:

City Manager

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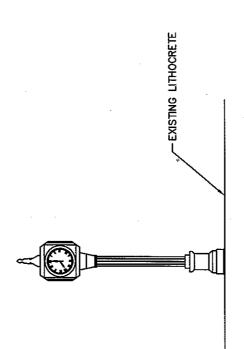


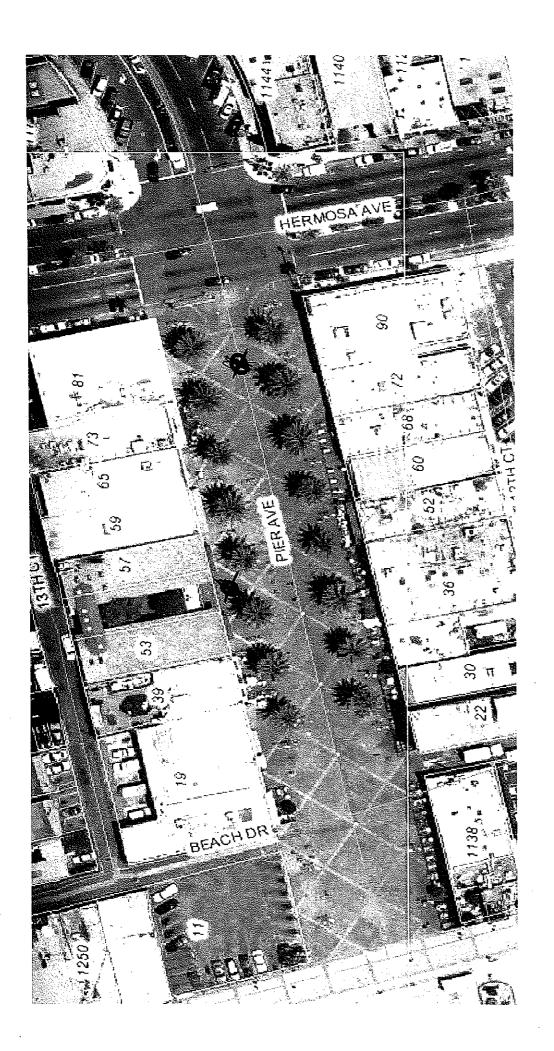
PROPOSED LOCATIONS PIER PLAZA CLOCK



OPTION 2







6. MUNICIPAL MATTERS

a. DONATION OF STREET CLOCK FOR PIER PLAZA.

Memorandum from Public Works Director Richard Morgan dated January 31, 2005.

Public Works Director Richard Morgan presented the staff report and responded to Council questions. City Manager Burrell also responded to Council questions.

Coming forward to address the Council on this item were:

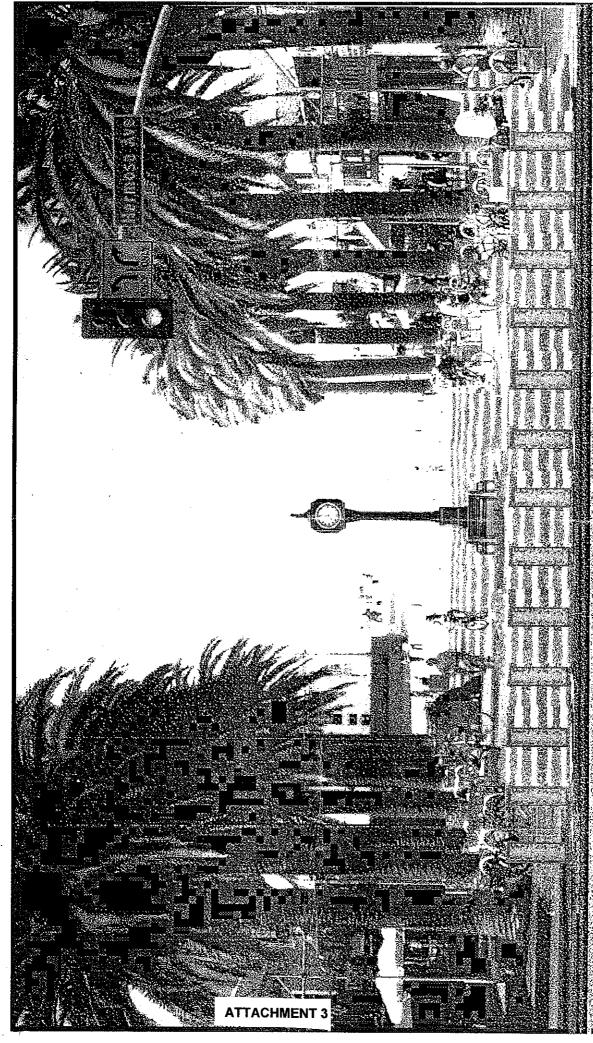
Dallas Yost – Hermosa Beach Kiwanis Club, said the clock would include a feature to automatically re-set at the beginning and end of daylight savings time and if power were lost; said the Club would send a check to the clock manufacturer within six weeks of Council approval and the pedestal clock would be delivered by summer; and

Carla Merriman – Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce and Visitors' Bureau Executive Director, said that the Kiwanis Club had applied to participate in the Fiesta Beer Garden for the next three years to raise funds for the clock, noting that many non-profit organizations take advantage of that opportunity to raise at least \$4,000 per year.

Proposed Action: To accept the donation from the Kiwanis Club of a street clock to be installed in Pier Plaza at Location B - adjacent to Loreto Plaza. Motion Yoon. The motion was withdrawn.

Action: To accept the donation from the Kiwanis Club of a street clock to be installed in Pier Plaza at Location A – at the intersection of Pier Avenue and Hermosa Avenue.

Motion Keegan, second Tucker. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.



clock in Plaza's center, 4x4 foot pedestat. Two or four 4 ft benches sumounding pedestal