RESOLUTION NO. 14-45

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALNUT, CALIFORNIA, URGING MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE (MT. SAC) TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED LOCATION OF THE PARKING STRUCTURE PROJECT ON THE NORTH-SIDE OF THE MT. SAC CAMPUS IN THE CITY OF WALNUT WHICH IS DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO EXISTING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, a majority of the City Council has determined that it is appropriate to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of its residents against the prospect of major environmental effects of the placement of the proposed parking structure. The City has adopted the following Mission Statement: "Our mission is to exceed the expectations of the people of Walnut. We collaborate with the community to enhance our civic pride. Walnut is a place where small town values are respected and blended with contemporary ideals. It is a community that considers the lessons of the past, understands current and future realities, and shares a sense of cultural belonging. These are our core values;" and,

WHEREAS, the vision and fundamental goal of the City of Walnut is to continue its role as a suburban residential community and to preserve its rural character; the peace and tranquility which is the hallmark of Walnut can only be preserved by safeguarding the town and country atmosphere through the emphasis on green and open space and the integration of all development with significant buffers from residential development; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the proposed project, heard the voice of many concerned Walnut community members, and recognizes the need to support the desire of the community by urging the relocation of the proposed parking structure based on the many potential impacts, including traffic and public safety; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project may hamper efforts by the City of Walnut to enhance traffic flow on Grand Avenue and adjacent streets around the subject location due to the large volume of traffic proposed to be infused into the community; and,

WHEREAS, fire and life safety are important components to the overall health and welfare of students, residents, and all members of the Walnut community; and,

WHEREAS, the continued growth of Mt. SAC has a tangible impact on infrastructure needs as well as the ongoing demand to maintain said infrastructure at acceptable levels and functionality; and,

WHEREAS, safeguarding funding sources for public projects, including schools and community college districts, must always be prioritized; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed location of the parking structure in proximity to existing residential development may impact property values, leading to a potential reduction in the property tax base of the City—the main revenue source for City programs.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Walnut as follows:

SECTION 1. The City of Walnut shall go on record supporting the desire to consider alternatives to the presently proposed location of the parking structure; and,

SECTION 2. The City Clerk is directed to send copies of this resolution to local State Legislative representatives, Community College Chancellor's Office and the Mt. SAC Board of Trustees.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of August, 2014.

Nancy Tragarz, Mayor

Eric Ching, Mayor Pro Tem

Robert Pacheco, Council Member

Mary Su, Council Member

Antonio Cartagena, Council Member

ATTEST:

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss.
CITY OF WALNUT)

I, Teresa De Dios, City Clerk of the City of Walnut, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 14-45 being:

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was approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 27th day of August, 2014, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBER(S):

Cartagena, Ching, Pacheco, Su, Tragarz

NOES:

COUNCILMEMBER(S):

None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBER(S):

None

ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBER(S):

None

Teresa De Dios, City Clerk