



**CITY OF MARTINEZ**

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
June 18, 2014**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** Tim Tucker, City Engineer  
**SUBJECT:** Historical Sidewalk Stamp Preservation  
**DATE:** June 11, 2014

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution requiring the preservation of sidewalk stamps to the maximum extent practical.

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 4, 2014, the Council directed staff develop a resolution for Council approval to preserve sidewalk segments that currently have sidewalk stamps. Many sidewalks in the downtown and surrounding area have been stamped with street names, government work program dates and other information that relates to the development and improvement of sidewalks in Martinez. Over the last several years, staff has worked informally with the Historical Society and others to identify and preserve these segments of sidewalk scheduled for demolition due to City, private, or utility construction projects. The attached resolution will formally require City crews and contractors, along with utility companies, other contractors and property owners, to preserve these stamped segments of sidewalks in the current location or general vicinity of the original stamp. It is foreseeable that due to the age and condition of a few of the sidewalks in some areas, that severely deteriorated sections will not be able to be preserved. Sidewalk stamps shall be preserved whenever practical and feasible.

Staff will implement changes to the City Standard Plans, City Specifications and encroachment permit conditions to require the preservation of sidewalk stamps.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There will be minor construction cost increases expected as a result of this preservation effort.

**ACTION:**

Motion adopting resolution requiring the preservation of sidewalk stamps to the maximum extent practical.

Attachment: Resolution

**APPROVED BY:**

Interim City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. -14

REQUIRING THE PRESERVATION OF SIDEWALK STAMPS TO THE  
MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICAL

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Martinez has determined it is in the best interest in the current and future residents and visitors to preserve the history of Martinez; and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of sidewalks in the downtown and surrounding areas marked significant events in the development of Martinez; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the sidewalks in the downtown and surrounding areas have sidewalks stamped to commemorate the government work plan date or other significant information related to the time of the original construction; and

**WHEREAS**, some sidewalks have been stamped at intersections with the names of streets.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Martinez requires the preservation of sidewalk stamps to maximum extent practical.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Martinez directs the City Engineer to update the City's Standard Plans, City Specifications and encroachment permit standard conditions of approval requiring the preservation of sidewalk stamps in the current location or general vicinity of the original stamp, in the downtown and surrounding areas, to the maximum extent practical.

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**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Martinez at a Regular Meeting of said Council held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

RICHARD G. HERNANDEZ, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF MARTINEZ

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