

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MARINA RECEIVING A PRESENTATION ON THE LOCATION, LANDSCAPE FEATURES, AND AMENITIES FOR THE PLACEMENT OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING SCULPTURE DONATED TO THE CITY BY THE PAIGE FAMILY AND PROVIDING DIRECTION TO STAFF

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King sculpture was commissioned by artist Barrington McClean and then donated to the City by Leonard and Carrie Paige in a ceremony with Mayor Jim Perrine in 2002. Since that time the sculpture was first displayed in a sculpture garden off of the entrance road into the Marina Airport; and

WHEREAS, in 2008 the sculpture and sculpture garden were removed and placed into storage at the Marina Airport; and

WHEREAS, at a Special City Council meeting in June 2020 the City Council acknowledged receipt of funds from private citizens and the Marina Foundation to assist with restoring the sculpture and replacing broken pieces of the sculpture garden, with the City also participating in contributing funds; and

WHEREAS, the sculpture has now been fully restored by the artist, Barrington McClean and its attached panels have been restored by Art Monuments in Hayward. The restoration work was paid fully from donation funds by the Marina community.; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission conducted site visits in and around the city. These included a site at the MST transit hub, DiMaggio Park and Locke Padden Park. Following the site visits the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission met, received community input, and unanimously recommended the Locke Padden Park site. While the amphitheater location was discussed as a preferred location, the Commission was open to the overall Locke Padden library site location; and

WHEREAS, the locations recommended by the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission were presented at the July 20, 2021 City Council. City Council received public input and directed staff to develop details on cost and potential amenities that incorporate ADA accessibility. City Council also asked staff to verify the ownership of the statue.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Marina does hereby:

1. Receive a presentation on the location, landscape features, and amenities for the placement of the Martin Luther King sculpture donated to the city by the Paige family; and
2. Secure written commitment from the MPRPD to permanently retain this sculpture at this site and to give staff direction to proceed to develop the sculpture in site one
3. Look into proper lighting and native drought resistant plants

PASSES AND ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Marina at a regular meeting duly held on the 15th day of February 2022 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Medina Dirksen, Burnett, Berkley, Biala, Delgado

NOES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

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**3338 Michael Dr.
Marina, CA 93933**

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January 6, 2021

BY:_____

**Marina City Council Members
Resident of the City of Marina
211 Hillcrest Avenue
Marina, CA 93933**

Dear Marina City Council Members and Marina Residents:

On behalf of the entire Paige family, we would like to thank the Marina City Council, Commissioners, and Recreation Staff for their support in bringing our grandparents' dreams to fruition. Leonard and Carrie Paige took great pride in being long time members of this community. They relished the opportunities that allowed them to give back to the community that undoubtedly supported their dreams. They cared deeply about the people and cherished the relationships that they developed over the years.

Many years ago, they commissioned the Martin Luther King sculpture and reflecting pool as a gift to the city. Displaying the MLK sculpture here in Marina is, of course, symbolic of Dr. King's dream and legacy. Marina is a city that supports its residents' dreams, recognizes their success, and thrives on diversity and inclusion.

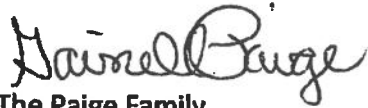
We support the decision to install the sculpture at Marina Library/Locke Paden Park Location. Our father had a wish, and the city had a vision for a sculpture park that would highlight Marina's artistic and cultural richness.

We want to thank the host of private investors that rallied to make the installation possible, as well as the many community members who have tirelessly supported this effort. Our family truly appreciates your support in having this art piece on display for the entire community to enjoy, as this was their vision all those years ago. We want to thank Terry Siegrist and the staff for the hard work, dedication, and persistence in leading the effort to have this piece restored and displayed.

It means the world to us that the sculpture will be displayed and enjoyed by residents and visitors to Marina. We celebrate our parents' determination and the important place that Marina held in their hearts, as their community and family.

Thank you on behalf of the entire Paige Family. We genuinely are overwhelmed by the outpouring and support.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gainell Paige".

The Paige Family

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CC Mayor Bruce Delgado
Anita Shepard Sharp, Deputy Director City of Marina
Terry Siegrist, Director Recreation and Culture Department
Members of the Recreation and Culture Commission

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Marina City Council

City Council Meeting
of February 15, 2022

**CITY COUNCIL CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-,
RECEIVING A PRESENTATION ON THE LOCATION, LANDSCAPE
FEATURES, AND AMENITIES FOR THE PLACEMENT OF THE
MARTIN LUTHER KING SCULPTURE DONATED TO THE CITY BY
THE PAIGE FAMILY AND PROVIDING DIRECTION TO STAFF**

REQUEST:

It is requested that the City Council consider:

1. Adopting Resolution No. 2022-, receiving a presentation on the location, landscape features, and amenities for the placement of the Martin Luther King sculpture donated to the City by the Paige family and providing direction to staff.

BACKGROUND:

The Martin Luther King sculpture was commissioned by artist Barrington McClean and then donated to the City by Leonard and Carrie Paige in a ceremony with Mayor Jim Perrine in 2002. Since that time the sculpture was first displayed in a sculpture garden near the entrance road into the Marina Airport. In 2008 the sculpture and sculpture garden were removed and placed into storage at the Marina Airport.

At a Special City Council meeting in June 2020 the City Council acknowledged receipt of funds from private citizens and the Marina Foundation to assist with raising funds for restoring the sculpture and replacing broken pieces of the sculpture garden, with the City also participating in contributing funds.

The sculpture has now been fully restored by the artist, Barrington McClean and its attached panels have been restored by Art Monuments in Hayward. The restoration work was paid fully from donation funds by the Marina community.

The City Council directed that city staff work with the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission to identify potential sites for the location of the sculpture and make a recommendation back to the City Council. They were also directed to solicit community input on other possible sites for consideration.

The members of the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission conducted site visits in and around the city. These included a site at the MST transit hub, DiMaggio Park and Locke Padden Park. Following the site visits the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission met, received community input, and unanimously recommended the Locke Padden Park site. While the amphitheater location was discussed as a preferred location, the Commission was open to the overall Locke Padden library site location.

Follow up contact was made with Rafael Payan CEO of Monterey County Regional Park District to ensure that he and his staff and legal team would support the placement of this sculpture at this site. Concurrence was provided.

The locations recommended by the Recreation and Cultural Services Commission were presented at the July 20, 2021 City Council. City Council received public input and directed staff to develop details on cost and potential amenities that incorporate ADA accessibility. City Council also asked staff to verify the ownership of the statue.

ANALYSIS:

Staff engaged the Wallace Group through the existing on-call contract to develop concepts for the siting, amenities and accessibility of the sculpture near the library. Bianca Koenig, landscape architect, will present the concepts for City Council consideration and direction.

The Paige family has acknowledged that the Martin Luther King sculpture was a gift to the City of Marina per the letter attached as “**EXHIBIT A.**”

FISCAL IMPACT:

Monies for the site preparation and the placement of the statue will be generated by donations already collected and further donation will be requests as needed. The City Council appropriated \$250,000 from the General Fund in the FY 2021-2022 Capital Improvement Program budget which is the funding source for the current design effort.

CONCLUSION:

This request is submitted for City Council consideration and action.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian McMinn, P.E., P.L.S.
Public Works Director & City Engineer
City of Marina

REVIEWED/CONCUR:

Layne Long
City Manager
City of Marina