



# CITY OF SAN MATEO

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## Agenda Report

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**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Drew Corbett, City Manager  
**PREPARED BY:** City Manager's Department  
**MEETING DATE:** July 20, 2020

**SUBJECT:**  
Resolution Supporting Black Lives Matter Movement and Consideration of Black Lives Matter Street Mural

### RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution of support for the Black Lives Matter movement reaffirming the City of San Mateo's commitment to racial equity and consider commissioning a mural that would read "Black Lives Matter" to be painted on a street in San Mateo.

### BACKGROUND:

At its June 29th Council meeting, Councilmember Lee requested Council support for a resolution supporting the Black Lives Matter movement. Council unanimously supported this request, and Councilmember Lee, along with Black leaders in the San Mateo community, drafted a resolution for Council's consideration. Amongst other things, through this resolution, the City Council:

- Acknowledges that Black Lives Matter and stands in solidarity with communities of color;
- Affirms the inherent dignity of all of our community members and holds ourselves to the highest standards of equity and justice;
- Affirms that this resolution was co-authored in partnership with our Black leaders because being an ally starts with listening to affected community members and uplifting under-represented voices.

Additionally, a member of the community recently contacted Council about commissioning a Black Lives Matter mural on a City street or in Central Park. The street locations suggested for consideration included:

- B Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Saratoga Drive near the Police Administration building
- 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue near City Hall

Should Council wish to move forward with commissioning this mural, staff recommends the mural be painted on B Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues. Staff believes this location would provide the greatest visibility to the mural.

### BUDGET IMPACT:

There is no budget impact for adopting this resolution. Should Council opt to commission a mural, there would be some staff time required to coordinate with the artists and ensure the streets were closed during the painting process, and there would also be some minimal maintenance involved. These costs are expected to be minimal and are able to be absorbed in departmental operating budgets.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:**

This Resolution is not a project subject to CEQA, because it is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).)

**NOTICE PROVIDED**

All meeting noticing requirements were met.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Att 1 – Proposed Resolution

Att 2 – Public Comment

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