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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: March 1, 2011

Subject

Request from the Cupertino Historical Society to donate a bench in memory of Hazel Fretwell.

Recommended Action

Accept a bench from the Cupertino Historical Society in memory of Hazel Fretwell.

Background

Hazel Fretwell was a long-time resident of Cupertino, a past president of the Cupertino Historical Society, and the mother of Grace Fretwell Hugger who writes the Roots column for the Cupertino Scene. The Cupertino Historical Society purchased a bench that the Cupertino Rotary made as a memorial gift for Hazel. Gail Fretwell Hugger would like it placed along the Stevens Creek Trail.

Discussion

Cupertino Resolution No. 03-162 adopts policies and procedures for recognizing donors. A donation which is accepted by the city council may be recognized by a plaque affixed to the appropriate structure or furnishing. In this case, if the City Council accepts the bench donation from the Cupertino Historical Society, a plaque in recognition of Hazel Fretwell would be placed on the bench.

If accepted, the bench will be located with the other Rotary constructed benches along Stevens Creek Trail at Blackberry Farm. The City will make reasonable efforts to maintain the bench and the plaque.

Hazel Fretwell was a well-known long-time resident of Cupertino and an important leader of the Cupertino Historical Society.

Sustainability

Staff will work with the Historical Society to be sure that the donated bench will receive the appropriate treatment so that the environment is protected and the bench will be available for public use.

Fiscal Impact

The bench can be maintained at no additional cost to the existing Stevens Creek Trail maintenance budget.

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Approved for Submission by: David W. Knapp, City Manager

Attachments: