

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE RIDGE ELECTRIC MOTOR COMPANY BUILDING LOCATED AT 1235 G STREET, FRESNO, CALIFORNIA TO THE LOCAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC RESOURCES PURSUANT TO FRESNO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12-1607.

WHEREAS, the Ridge Electric Motor Company Building ("Building") located at 1235 G Street was constructed in 1968 as a one-story commercial building, in the Free-form/Mid-Century Modern architectural style in Downtown Fresno; and

WHEREAS, the Building represents the work of two masters, architect Robin Gay McCline and ceramics sculptor Stan Bitters; and

WHEREAS, the Building retains integrity to its period of significance, by retaining all seven aspects of historic integrity, with character-defining features that include smooth stucco cladding; an eclectic array of sculptural shapes consisting of brilliant blue tiles; and front landscaping shaping the approach to the building which consists of organic structural pieces, a series of planters with palms and agave, and river rock; and

WHEREAS, the property owner, James Michael Williams, supports the designation of the Building to Fresno's Local Official Register of Historic Resources;

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno Historic Preservation Commission, at a duly noticed public hearing held on December 16, 2019, heard testimony on the subject property, during which the Commission recommended to the Council of the City of Fresno approval; and

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WHEREAS, based on that testimony, and the presentation of facts relating to the criteria for official designation, as set forth in the Fresno Municipal Code, Chapter 12, Article 16, the Commission made the following findings;

That the Ridge Electric Motor Company Building located at 1235 G Street in Fresno, California meets the criteria set out in Article 16, Chapter 12, Section 12-1607 (a) of the Fresno Municipal Code; and is eligible for listing on Fresno's Local Register of Historic Resources; and be recommended to the Fresno City Council for adoption as a Local Resource.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Fresno Municipal Code, Article 16 Section 12-1601 et seq. this hearing has been duly noticed for Council action upon the designation recommended by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, Council held a hearing where it considered the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission, and considered substantial evidence, including but not limited to, staff presentation, a report prepared by staff addressing the property's eligibility to the Local Register, a Primary Record ("PR") and a Building, Structure and Object Record ("BSOR") prepared by the City's Historic Preservation Specialist (as defined in FMC § 12-1604(b)) finding that the property met the Historic Resource eligibility requirements for Criterion (iii) to Subdivision 12-1607(a)(1) because the Building on the Property is greater than 50 years of age and possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association, and it represents the work of two masters.

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

1. Council finds that the above recitals are true and correct.

2. Council finds that the Ridge Electric Motor Company Building is eligible for listing under Criterion (iii) of Fresno Municipal Code, subdivision 12-1607(a)(1) based upon the evidence presented to Council in the staff presentation, staff report, the PR and the BSOR.

3. Council designates the Ridge Electric Motor Company Building a Historic Resource to the Local Register of Historic Resources.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2020.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2020
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2020
Mayor Veto: _____, 2020
Council Override Vote: _____, 2020

YVONNE SPENCE, MMC CRM
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOUGLAS T. SLOAN
City Attorney

BY: _____
Rina Gonzales Date
Deputy City Attorney