

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-__

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A HISTORIC
PRESERVATION AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF 236
ELEANOR AVENUE**

WHEREAS, the applicant, the applicant, Todd Parmacek, submitted an application to request the City Council Authorize the City Manager to enter into Historic Preservation Agreement for the historic property at 236 Eleanor Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Council authorizing the City Manager to execute a Historic Preservation Agreement for 236 Eleanor Avenue would be categorically exempt from environmental review under Section 15331 (Historical Resource Restoration/Rehabilitation) in that the project is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, or Reconstructing Historic Buildings (the “Secretary’s Guidelines”).

WHEREAS, Government Code Sections 50280 et seq. authorizes the City to enter into a historical property contract with the owner of any qualified historical property to restrict the use of such property so that it retains its historically significant characteristics in return for which the property owner obtains property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Altos is a community that celebrates its history, the rich past that is incorporated into the fabric of the City and provides a link to the community’s heritage and the remaining sites and structures of architectural and/or historic significance that enhance the community’s unique character and contribute to a sense of place; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of its adoption of the Historic Preservation Ordinance (LAMC Chapter 12.44), the City Council of the City of Los Altos provides that designated historic resources and landmark structures of merit that are privately owned shall be considered qualified historical properties eligible to enter into Historic Preservation (Mills Act) Agreements with the City; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with that Historic Preservation Ordinance (LAMC Chapter 12.44), the house at 236 Eleanor Avenue is a historic resource on the City’s Historic Resource Inventory, and it is more than 50 years in age, retains sufficient historic integrity, and is historically significant; and

WHEREAS, the Historical Commission held a public meeting on November 19, 2024 to consider the request to execute a historic preservation agreement on the subject property and recommended approval to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Historic Preservation Agreement, the property owner shall every five years commencing on the fifth anniversary of the effective date of the historic preservation agreement submit to the City an updated ten (10) year schedule of potential home repair, maintenance and improvement, and submit documentation for all repairs, maintenance, and improvements which have been completed since the Effective Date.

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2024, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing as prescribed by law and considered any public testimony and evidence and recommendations presented by staff in connection with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the finding and conclusions made by the City Council in the Resolution are based upon the oral and written evidence presented as well as the entirety of the administrative record for the proposed Project, which is incorporated herein by this reference. The findings are not based on the information provided in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby approves the City Manager execute a Historic Preservation Agreement with the owners of 236 Eleanor Avenue subject to the subject to the terms and conditions outlined the Historic Preservation Agreement.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Los Altos at a meeting thereof on December 10, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Pete Dailey, MAYOR

Attest:

Melissa Thurman, MMC, CITY CLERK