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August 26, 2025

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

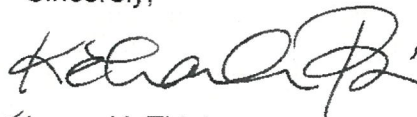
SUBJECT: Request for Approval of Plaques at Centennial Park Waikīkī

In accordance with Resolution 19-89, which approved the 2016 Rotary Agreement between the City and the Rotary Club of Honolulu to design and construct Centennial Park Waikīkī, we respectfully request the approval of the attached proposed resolution approving the installation of plaques at the aforementioned park.

The two (2) brass plaques of approximately 20" x 20" will list the 100 Founding Donors and one (1) similar 20" x 20" brass plaque listing subsequent large donors at Centennial Park Waikīkī. The plaques will be mounted on pōhaku already located in the Park under the monkey pod trees.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (808) 768-3001.

Sincerely,

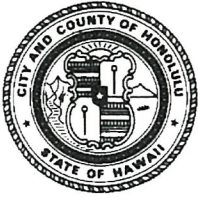

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Attachment

APPROVAL:


Michael D. Formby, Managing Director
Office of the Managing Director

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RESOLUTION

APPROVING SIGNAGE IN CENTENNIAL PARK WAIKĪKĪ RELATING TO COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 19-69, 19-89 AND 20-232.

WHEREAS, Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business, professional, and community leaders dedicated to service to others, promoting integrity, and the advancement of understanding, goodwill, and peace; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, the City and the Rotary Club of Honolulu began discussions to develop a park in Waikīkī, through a public-private partnership, and signed an agreement ("Rotary's Agreement") in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary's Agreement with the City dated July 13, 2016, does not specifically address plaques recognizing Founders and Donors plaques; however, provides that the Rotary Club will be recognized, states that the park will be developed consistent with the design concept presented to the City's administration at the time, and lists that work to include signage; and

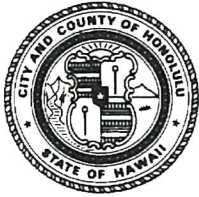
WHEREAS, on May 8, 2019, the Council approved Resolution 19-69, accepting a gift of design and construction of a park, valued at \$1,532,000, from the Rotary Club of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2019, the Council approved Resolution 19-89, approving the 2016 Rotary Agreement between the City and the Rotary Club of Honolulu to design and construct "Centennial Park Waikīkī" on the anniversary of the first Rotary Club in Hawaii 100 years ago; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2020, the Council approved Resolution 20-232, naming the new park on the property bounded by Seaside Avenue, Royal Hawaiian Avenue, Aloha Drive and Manukai Street in Waikīkī as "Centennial Park Waikīkī" ("Park"); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 19-89 requires approval of the signage related to donors in Centennial Park Waikīkī by the Council and authorized the City Administration to erect appropriate signage similar to the signage described in the Rotary's Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Honolulu is requesting approval of plaques with the names of "Founders" and "Donors" to be recognized in the park; and



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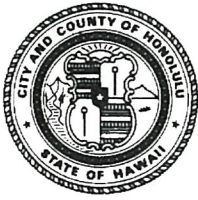
WHEREAS, the Rotary Club has 100 names on its Founders list, which includes the first 100 donors who gave over \$1,000, and divided it into two (2) square plaques measuring approximately 20" x 20"; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club has a list of large donors of approximately 50 names which will be placed on a separate plaque of approximately the same size, 20" x 20" with similar sized font; and

WHEREAS, the plaques will be metal, pin mounted on pōhaku already located in Centennial Park Waikīkī under Monkey Pod trees in the Park; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body appreciates the efforts of the Rotary Club of Honolulu and the donors who supported the construction of Centennial Park Waikīkī; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council approves the drawings attached hereto as Exhibit A, of the two (2) brass plaques of approximately 20" x 20" for the 100 Founding Donors and one (1) similar 20" x 20" brass plaque listing subsequent large donors; and



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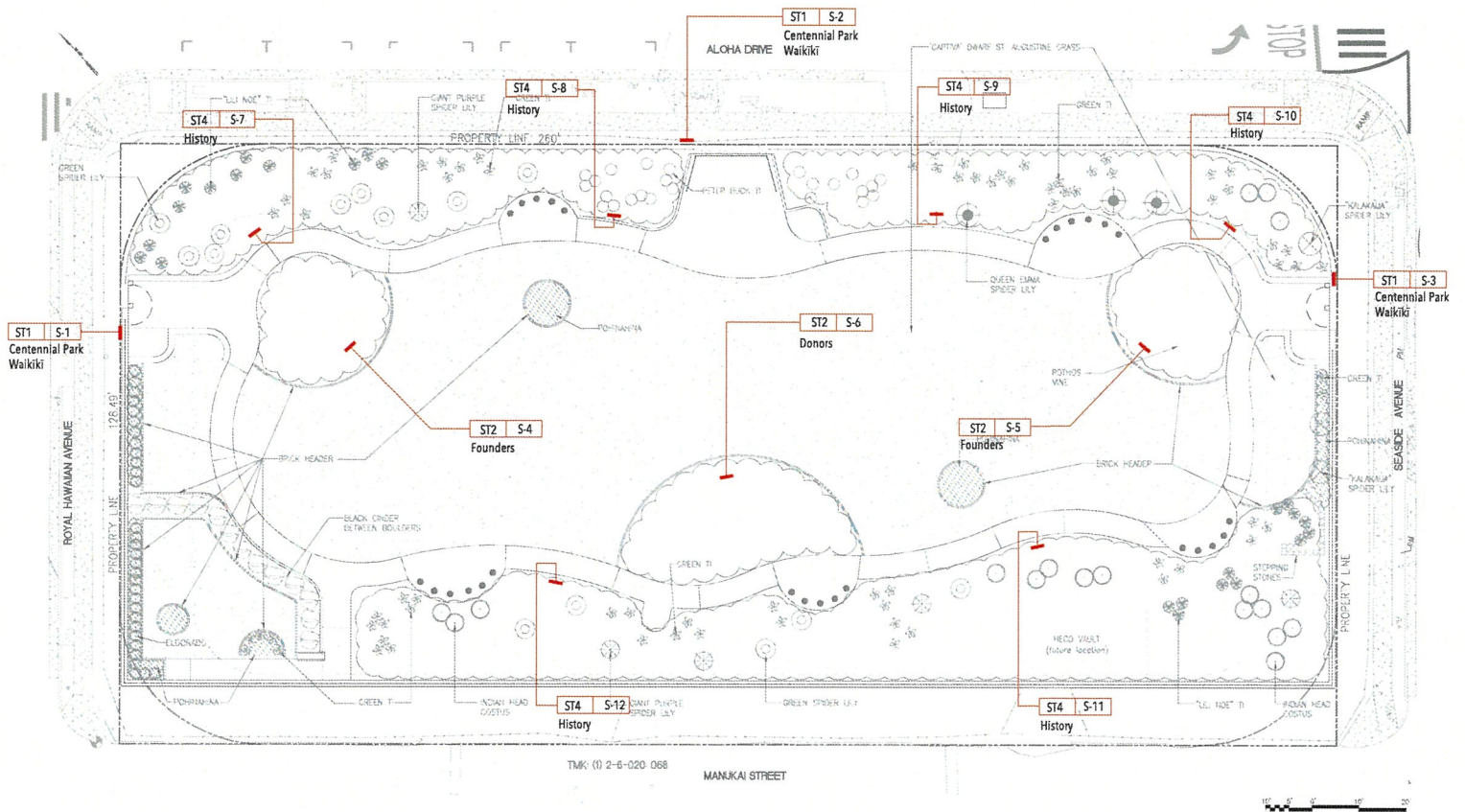
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of Parks and Recreation, and the Rotary Club of Honolulu, 705 Queen Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers



ROTARY CLUB OF HAWAII

CENTENNIAL PARK WAIKIKI

SIGN LOCATION PLAN

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CENTENNIAL PARK WAIKIKI

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