

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINDINGS REQUIRED BY HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 33445 FOR FUNDING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WEST CABRILLO BOULEVARD SIDEWALK

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara is undertaking certain activities for the planning and execution of redevelopment projects in the Central City Redevelopment Project Area;

WHEREAS, the redevelopment through replacement of the West Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk and the addition of new permanent public art and landscaping will add to the attractive environment of the Central City Redevelopment Project area and the City of Santa Barbara;

WHEREAS, the construction of crosswalks, signalized crossings, and other pedestrian amenities will increase the safety and attractiveness of the West Cabrillo promenade;

WHEREAS, improvement of the West Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk will provide access to the Beach, including improvements for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency's funding of the redevelopment of the West Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk will benefit the Central City Redevelopment Project Area by encouraging pedestrian and tourist activity in the project area, which increases the vitality of the project area by encouraging economic activity by locals and visitors, encouraging public and private improvements, and eliminating blight and the conditions that lead to blight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The proposed improvements to the West Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk, to be funded by the Redevelopment Agency, are of benefit to the Central City Redevelopment Project area as the improvements will generate additional pedestrian activity by locals and tourists. An increase in these activities improves the vitality of the project area by encouraging economic activity by locals and visitors and will lead to additional public and private improvements, and thereby, eliminate blight and the conditions that lead to blight.

SECTION 2. No other reasonable means of financing the improvements to the West Cabrillo Boulevard Sidewalk are available.