

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF SANTA BARBARA DECLARING ITS INTENT TO
ACCEPT REAL PROPERTY BENEATH THE CITY'S
HYDROELECTRIC PLANT GRANTED BY THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THROUGH ITS
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City received United States Bureau of Reclamation License and Agreement No. 20-07-20-L2148 (City Agreement No. 11,539) dated July 15, 1982 which permitted the construction, operation, and maintenance of the City's Hydroelectric Plant on United States land adjacent to Lauro Reservoir;

WHEREAS, the City's hydroelectric plant produced clean, renewable power from 1985 through 1998;

WHEREAS, the City decommissioned the hydroelectric plant in 1998 when it was determined that project operation, maintenance, permit, and regulatory costs exceeded project revenues;

WHEREAS, a technical analysis by Brown and Caldwell Engineers, Inc., in 2010 determined that the key to recommissioning the hydroelectric plant is for the City to acquire the land beneath it which would most likely enable the City to avoid significant regulatory costs and burdens associated with starting and operating the plant; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2010 the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board voted (5/0) to send a "letter to the Bureau of Reclamation in support of the City of Santa Barbara's request to convey ownership of a parcel of land to the City for the purpose of recommissioning its Hydroelectric Plant at Lauro Reservoir."

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

SECTION 1. It authorizes its staff to negotiate a grant deed for conveyance of land beneath the City's hydroelectric plant from the United States of America to the City of Santa Barbara.

SECTION 2. It hereby declares its intent to accept the real property whose approximate boundaries are shown on the attached "Site Map".