

RESOLUTION NO. 12-054

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL BY THE PASO ROBLES PADEREWSKI FESTIVAL BOARD OF
DIRECTORS TO INSTALL A STATUE OF IGNACY JAN PADEREWSKI IN THE
DOWNTOWN CITY PARK

WHEREAS, after the December 2003 earthquake City staff and City leaders considered the issue of installing a memorial statue in City Park; and

WHEREAS, as a result of that discussion, the City Council established a "Visual Art in Public Places Program" in March of 2005 to stimulate investment in public art displays and to establish an approval process; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) is identified in the "Visual Art in Public Places Program" as the Council advisory committee relative to expenditure of the City's Public Art Fund and the selection of public art pieces; and

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WHEREAS, on March 6, 2012, City Council requested that City staff, the Paderewski Festival Board and the PRAC consider alternative downtown sites and then make a recommendation to Council; and

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