

City of Placerville PRESS RELEASE

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On April 28, 2009, the City Council adopted the Placerville Drive Development and Implementation Plan-Final Preferred Vision Plan, which identified the parcel of land, currently occupied by the Veterans Memorial Building, as a potential location for a "Multi-Modal Center." It was understood at that time the Veterans Memorial Building was in poor condition and may have to be relocated. Since that time, a parcel located at the intersection of Ray Lawyer Drive overcrossing and Forni Road was selected as an alternative site. A new Park and Ride facility was recently constructed at that site as part of the Western Placerville Interchange, Phase 2 project. Although the Veterans Memorial Building site is no longer needed as a "Multi-Modal Center," Veterans have requested that the Veterans Memorial Building be removed from the Plan. In response to their request, a resolution has been placed on the City Council agenda that, if approved, would amend the Plan by removing the Veterans Memorial Building as a potential site for a "Multi-Modal Center." The City Council will be asked to approve the resolution at its meeting being held on July 9, 2019.

In response to the proposed resolution, Mayor Mark Acuna stated the following:

"I appreciate being alerted to the Placerville Drive Vision Plan from 10 years ago, which is still in effect, and identifies the Veterans Memorial Building site for re-use. We must change the plan in order to protect and honor the Veteran's Memorial Building. I am leading the effort to accomplish this change. Veterans are the backbone of this community and I am deeply grateful for their sacrifice and service. The Veteran's Memorial Building must remain a landmark on Placerville Drive as a symbol of our hard fought freedoms. I am grateful to all the Veterans for bringing this issue to my attention."

Mayor Mark A Acuna, City of Placerville