

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4188

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRIS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE REQUEST OF MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY APPROVING COMPLETION OF THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO OBTAIN A RETIRED SPACE SHUTTLE ORBITER TO BE HOUSED AND DISPLAYED AS PART OF THE MARCH FIELD AIR MUSEUM

WHEREAS, the March Joint powers Authority (JPA), a Joint powers Authority created pursuant to Article I, Chapter 5, Division 7, Title I (commencing with section 6500) of the Government Code, is governed by a Joint powers Commission (Commission) composed of the member entities of the County of Riverside, the City of Riverside, the City of Moreno Valley and the City of Perris; and

WHEREAS, the JPA has responsibility for planning the use, reuse, and joint use of portions of the former March Air Force Base which now includes the March Field Air Museum, a private, non-profit institution displaying over seventy historic aircraft and over two thousand artifacts and is in the vicinity of the joint use airport at March Air Reserve Base with a 13,000 runway; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2008 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) sent out a Request for Information (RFI) concerning public display of flown Space Shuttle Orbiters and Space Shuttle Main Engines after conclusion of the Space Shuttle Program in September 2010 which will be used to determine interest that may lead to selection of specific organizations to receive a retired flown Space Shuttle Orbiter or space Shuttle Main Engine for public display by May 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the March Field Air Museum is eligible to receive a Space Shuttle Orbiter because it is a United States Museum dedicated to educating the public about past, present, and future air and space technologies and representatives of the March Field Air Museum have expressed an interest in studying the feasibility of displaying a flown Space Shuttle Orbiter and constructing a hangar capable of displaying the flown space Shuttle Orbiter in a climate-controlled indoor environment which would be consistent with the March Field Air Museum's goals of celebrating and preserving aviation history and inspiring current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, in partnership with the March Field Air Museum, wishes to consider a variety of funding options to transport and display the retired flown Space Shuttle Orbiter; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has endeavored in good faith to set forth the basis for its decision to pursue completion of the RFI and all of the findings and conclusions made by the Commission pursuant to the Resolution are based upon oral and

written evidence before it and the administrative record as a whole and the Commission has reviewed the RFI and all other relevant information contained in the record regarding the acquisition and display of a Space Shuttle orbiter; and

WHEREAS, all other legal prerequisites to the adoption of the Resolution have occurred;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Perris, California, does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. Review of RFI. The Commission has reviewed and considered the information contained in the RFI, and other documents in connection with the acquisition of a flown Space Shuttle Orbiter. The Commission finds that the March Field Air Museum either meets, or will meet, the standards required by the RFI, making it eligible to receive a Space Shuttle Orbiter in the future. The Commission further finds that the March Field Air Museum's receipt of a Space Shuttle Orbiter would help inspire current and future generations while promoting the Museum's mission of celebrating and preserving aviation history.

Section 2. Working with the March Field Air Museum. The Commission finds that, due to the estimated cost of transporting, housing, and displaying the Space Shuttle Orbiter, and the estimated cost of gathering the necessary information required by the RFI, it is necessary to work in conjunction with the March Field Air Museum during all steps of attempting to procure a Space Shuttle Orbiter. The Commission finds that it will continue to work with the March Field Air Museum to jointly undertake the process of completing the RFI.

Section 3. Approval of RFI Completion. The City of Perris, in conjunction with the March Field Air Museum, hereby approves completion of the RFI in an attempt to procure a Space Shuttle Orbiter.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED THIS 10th day of February, 2009.

Mayor Daryl R. Busch

Attest:

City Clerk, Judy L. Haughney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss
CITY OF PERRIS

I, Judy Haughney, duly elected City Clerk of the City of Perris, California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 4188 was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Perris at a regular meeting held the 10th day of February, 2009, by the following called vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Evans, Rogers, Yarbrough, Landers, Busch
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

City Clerk, Judy L. Haughney