

Relocation of Christopher Columbus Statue

01-30-2018

Item 3.11

HISTORY

Donated to City October 12, 1958

- The Statue was commissioned in Italy by the Milani Marble Company
- Donated to the City by the San José Civic Club & the Italo-American Societies of San José
- Relocated to its current location after the construction of City Hall

Security Concerns regarding the Christopher Columbus Statue:

- 3/8/2001 the Statue was severely damaged by a sledgehammer
- 9/21/2017 red and black paint was smeared on the Statue
- 10/12/2017 a handful of protesters confronted City Hall visitors and staff in the Tower and disrupted City business

SJSU FORUM

On October 17, 2017 SJSU hosted a panel and community forum:

- Four Professors
- Two Students
- 50 members from the Public
- Moderator - Dr. Melinda Jackson

Option 1: Store the Statue at the History San José Collection Center (warehouse at Central Service Yard) & then donate to a group or entity, still to be identified.

Option 2: Display the Statue at the San José International Airport at Terminal A, near Gate 9



Option 3: Display the Statue at the Bank of Italy at History Park



Option 4: Keep the Statue at its current location

