TO: James L. App, City Manager

FROM: Meg Williamson, Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: Private Industry Council (PIC) – Job Fair Opportunity

DATE: July 5, 2006

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider a request from the Private Industry Council (PIC) to collaborate on a North County Job Fair opportunity.

FACTS: 1 The City has been approached by the Private Industry Council to be a collaborative partner in a North County Job Fair event to be held on Wednesday, August 23, 2006. (See attached letter from PIC Program Manager, Grant Nielson).

- 2. The Private Industry Council is a private non-profit corporation that is a training resource for local workers and who acts as a "broker" between employers who are seeking workers, and local citizens who are seeking jobs.
- 3. The purpose of the Job Fair is to connect job seekers with job providers within the community. This North County event would focus mainly on service oriented businesses, including: manufacturing, hospitality, retail, and public/institutional.
- 4. The Private Industry Council is also partnering with The Tribune Newspaper to provide advertising and coverage of the North County event.
- 5. In partnering with PIC on this event, the City would be lending its name to the promotion of the event, as well as providing one day use of the City Hall/Library conference facility.
- 6. City staff resources would be provided in the logistical planning and promotion of the event, working closely with PIC staff to jointly meet the needs of the community's businesses and workforce.
- 7. The City would have the opportunity to participate in the Job Fair as a potential job provider. Information about working for the City and specific job opportunities would be made available to attendees.

## **ANALYSIS &**

CONCLUSION: The newly adopted Economic Strategy supports the formation of

public/private partnerships to foster support for Paso Robles business growth and success. A job fair endeavor, which is designed to meet the employment needs of the North County business community and

work force, is an example of such a partnership.

**POLICY** 

REFERENCE: Economic Strategy.

**FISCAL** 

IMPACT: The "in-kind" contribution of facility rental and staffing is estimated to

be under \$1,000. There are no direct "out of pocket" costs anticipated

for participating in this event. .

OPTIONS: a. For the City Council to adopt Resolution No. 06-XX authorizing

the City's partnership with the Private Industry Council in the

August 23, 2006 North County Job Fair.

b. Amend, modify or reject above option.

## Attachment:

1. Resolution approving partnership with the Private Industry Council in the North County Job Fair.

2. Letter from Private Industry Council



June 22, 2006

City of El Paso de Robles 1000 Spring Street Paso Robles, CA 93446

The Private Industry Council of San Luis Obispo County Inc. (PIC), along with the Tribune Newspaper, would like to invite the City of El Paso de Robles to partner in a collaborative effort to provide a Job Fair for the citizens of Paso Robles and neighboring north county residents.

The PIC believes this Job Fair is an opportunity to serve the businesses of North County as well as the job-seekers. As you know there are several job fairs that occur every year in San Luis Obispo County, however, there are few, if any that occur in the North County. The PIC proposes an annual City of Paso Robles/ PIC/ Tribune Job Fair to support the economies of Paso Robles and surrounding communities.

The PIC believes that with the current economic conditions, businesses are eager for events such as this. Businesses are struggling to find the staffing necessary to grow or maintain current levels of productivity. Job-seekers also benefit from an event such as this. In one location, they are able to make important face-to-face contacts with businesses that hiring.

For the partners involved, there are also many benefits. For PIC, this is an opportunity to help our customers have a more effective opportunity to become employed. For City of Paso Robles, this is an opportunity to broaden its economic development activities and encourage business growth in Paso Robles. For the Tribune, it is an opportunity to market its Career Builder and classified advertising. For all the partners, it is an opportunity to provide an often overlooked service, especially in North County.

The PIC looks forward to the City's participation.

Sincerely,

Grant Nielson Program Manager

Private Industry Council of San Luis Obispo County, Inc.

4111 Broad Street, San Luis Obispo 93401

## RESOLUTION NO. 06 -

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES APPROVING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN AND SPONSORSHIP OF THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL'S 2006 NORTH COUNTY JOB FAIR EVENT

WHEREAS, the City's Economic Strategy supports the formation of public and private partnerships for the purpose of fostering support of Paso Robles business growth and success; and

WHEREAS, the Private Industry Council is a public non-profit corporation that is a training resource for local workers and who acts as a broker between employers who are seeking workers and local citizens who are seeking jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Private Industry Council has approached the City requesting its support as a collaborative partner in holding a North County Job Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Job Fair would be a means for connecting job seekers with potential employers which is mutually beneficial for citizens and businesses within the community; and

WHEREAS, in partnering in this event the City of Paso Robles would be lending its name to the promotion of the event and providing the facility in which the one day event would occur; and

WHEREAS, this is an opportunity for the City of Paso Robles to broaden its economic development activities and encourage business growth and promotion.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that it lends support and sponsorship of the August 23, 2006 North County Job Fair event to be held at the City Hall/Library Conference Center.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2006 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	Mayor Frank R. Mecham
Deborah D. Robinson, Deputy City Clerk	