

RESOLUTION NO. 06-0008

**A RESOLUTION OF
THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
RECOMMENDING APPROVAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE SALINAS RIVER TRAIL PLAN DESIGN
MISC. 05-008**

WHEREAS, the Salinas River Trail Plan Design has been filed by the Upper Salinas – Las Tablas Resources Conservation District, in partnership with the City of Paso Robles; and

WHEREAS, the Salinas River Trail Plan Design is a proposal for a pedestrian trail segment to be located in the Salinas river corridor between Larry Moore Park and the Albertsons Shopping Center; and

WHEREAS, the trail plan supports goals, policies and actions in the City of Paso Robles General Plan, including polices C-3B, C-5A, PR-1A, and PR-1B, and the Upper Salinas – Las Tablas Watershed Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Salinas River Trail Plan will provide a key trail linkage that will provide additional recreational opportunities for pedestrians to use the Salinas River corridor as a pedestrian amenity, and it will assist in connecting future trails within the Salinas River corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee considered this project on December 13, 2005, and recommended approval to the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing on January 10, 2006 on this project to accept public testimony on the trail plan application, Misc. 05-008 and associated environmental review; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Statutes and Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the City's Procedures for Implementing CEQA, an Initial Study was prepared and circulated for public review and comment; and

WHEREAS, based on the information and analysis contained in the Initial Study, a determination has been made that the proposed commercial project will not result in significant environmental impacts and it is appropriate for the Planning Commission to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration, which is included in a separate resolution; and

WHEREAS, based upon the facts and analysis presented in the staff report and the attachments thereto, the public testimony received, the Planning Commission makes the following findings:

1. The project is consistent with the adopted codes, policies, standards and plans of the City; and
2. The proposed trail plan will not be detrimental to the health, safety, morals, comfort, convenience and general welfare of the residents and or businesses in the surrounding area, or be injurious or detrimental to property and improvements in the neighborhood or to the general welfare of the City; and
3. The proposed trail plan accommodates the aesthetic quality of the City as a whole, especially where development will be visible from the gateways to the City, scenic corridors; and the public right-of-way; and
4. The proposed trail plan is compatible with, and is not detrimental to, surrounding land uses and improvements, provides an appropriate visual appearance, and contributes to the mitigation of any environmental and social impacts; and

5. The proposed trail plan is compatible with existing scenic and environmental resources such as hillsides, oak trees, vistas, etc.; and
6. The proposed trail plan contributes to the orderly development of the City as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of the City of El Paso de Robles does hereby recommend approval of the Salinas River Trail Plan Design (Misc. 05-008) to the City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th day of February, 2006 by the following Roll Call Vote:

AYES:	Commissioners – Flynn, Menath, Holstine, Withers, Steinbeck and Chair Hamon
NOES:	Commissioners – None
ABSENT:	Commissioner - Mattke
ABSTAIN:	Commissioners - None

CHAIRMAN JOHN HAMON

ATTEST:

JOHN FALKENSTIEN, PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY