

RESOLUTION NO: 11-005

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE
2010 GENERAL PLAN CIRCULATION ELEMENT**

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element is one of the seven State mandated “elements” of the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element is an update to the previously adopted 2003 Circulation Element; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element is consistent with the other Elements of the City General Plan, as well as other adopted plans including the 2006 Economic Strategy and the 2009 Bicycle Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element is consistent with State legislation, Assembly Bill 1358, the Caltrans “Complete Streets” policies, and the 2008 Caltrans 46 East Comprehensive Corridor Study; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element includes goals, policies and actions to guide implementation of context sensitive transportation circulation improvements that are in keeping with maintaining the community character of Paso Robles; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Circulation Element advocates transportation solutions that are fundable and feasible as outlined in the “potential transportation improvements” list attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held duly noticed public hearings on December 14, 2010, February 22, 2011 and March 8, 2011 to accept public testimony on the 2010 Circulation Element and associated environmental document; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Statutes and Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the City’s Procedures for Implementing CEQA, an environmental analysis was conducted for the 2010 Circulation Element, and a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) and a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was prepared for this project, which is included under 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 2010 Circulation Element is consistent with the City of El Paso Robles General Plan, and other adopted plans and policies.
2. The 2010 Circulation Element policies and implementation measures are based on updated traffic data and modeling, and traffic growth projections to the year 2025.
3. The 2010 Circulation Element advances use of street utilization capacities beyond the traditional Level-of-Service criteria.

4. The 2010 Circulation Element considers all users of the streets including pedestrians (including children, persons with disabilities, and seniors); bicycles and public transit, and considers the impacts on the character of the City resulting from street widening.
5. The 2010 Circulation Element is consistent with State legislation, Assembly Bill 1358, the Caltrans "Complete Streets" policies, and the 2008 Caltrans 46 East Comprehensive Corridor Study.
6. The list of "potential transportation improvements" attached in Exhibit A reflect the policies in the Circulation Element.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of the City of El Paso de Robles does hereby recommend the City Council adopt the 2010 Circulation Element.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 8th day of March, 2011 by the following Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Commissioners Barth, Holstine, Treach, Peterson, Vanderlip and Chair Gregory
NOES: Commissioner Garcia
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None



Steve Gregory, Chairman

ATTEST:



Ron Whisenand, Secretary of the Planning Commission

TABLE CE - 2

"Potential Circulation Improvements"

Table CE – 2 is a list of potential circulation improvements reflecting routes and intersections depicted on Figure CE – 1 and the policies herein. This list is neither comprehensive, nor does it limit responsibility for mitigation of transportation impacts by new development or other jurisdictions. Table CE – 2 represents a minimum list of transportation needs that should be considered for the purposes of establishing an impact fee program but does not limit the array of transportation needs that may be considered for inclusion in an impact fee program.

Road Segments

Union Road - Kleck Road to East City Limits	Two-lane divided arterial with bike lanes
Creston Road – River Road to Rolling Hills Road	Two-lane divided arterial with bike Lanes and pedestrian improvements
Creston Road - Niblick Road to Scott Street	Two-lane divided arterial with improved driveway access, bike lanes and pedestrian improvements
Theatre Drive - Target Center to South City Limits	Two-lane divided arterial with bike lanes and pedestrian improvements

Intersections

US 101 - SR 46E	Dual left turns to southbound 101 and ramp addition at 17 th Street
US 101 – SR 46W	Relocation of Theatre Drive and South Vine Street, Roundabout control for ramp intersections
SR 46E – Union Road	Grade separated intersection
Union Road – Golden Hill Road	Roundabout
Charolais Road – S. River Road	Roundabout

Pedestrian and Bike Connections

24 th Street Bridge over Railroad
Creston Road Pedestrian Crossing at Lana Street