

RESOLUTION NO. 16-021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
APPROVING CONVERSION OF A HALF-TIME STAFF ASSISTANT III POSITION TO A FULLTIME
TECHNICAL ASSISTANT III / ASSISTANT PLANNER POSITION

WHEREAS, over the past year, the City has seen a significant increase in planning applications for hotels, planned developments, specific plans, industrial projects, and cellular facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified a number of special projects that require planning staff resources, including the Grading Ordinance Advisory Committee, Housing Constraints and Opportunities Committee, Historic Resources Committee, and Vacation Rental Policy review; and

WHEREAS, staff has identified un-licensed vacation rentals that presently do not pay transient occupancy tax as a significant source of lost revenue which is estimated at \$400,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, as part of the City's effort to ensure equity between those operators of short-term rentals who are licensed, those that are not, and hotels, it will be necessary to reach out to owners of those properties that are not licensed; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Department historically had an Assistant Planner position, but as a result of the recession, this position was eliminated in June 2009 through the layoff prevention plan; and

WHEREAS, converting an existing part time Staff Assistant III (intern) position into a full time Technician III (Assistant Planner) position will have the multiple benefit of expanding planning staff capacity and improving the City's collection of revenue; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2016 the position conversion will be covered by existing departmental salary savings, and in subsequent years the position will generate revenues greatly in excess of the costs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles to authorize conversion of a half-time Staff Assistant III position to a full-time Technician III (Assistant Planner) position.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 1st day of March 2016 by the following vote:

AYES: Strong, Gregory, Hamon, Reed, Martin

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:



Steven W. Martin, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kristen L. Buxkemper, Deputy City Clerk