

RESOLUTION NO: 09-029

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
RECOMMENDING ADOPTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL
OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE
BICYCLE MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso de Robles is currently updating the General Plan, Circulation Element; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan is consistent with the Draft Circulation Element; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan is consistent with other plans adopted and/or being prepared by the City including: 2003 General Plan; 2006 Economic Strategy; Salinas River Plan; and Draft Town Center/Uptown Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan is consistent with the State Streets and Highways Code criteria and complies with the California Bicycle Transportation Act, Section 890-894.2; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan includes goals, policies and actions to guide implementation of bikeway improvements and programs; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan includes bikeway maps identifying new and improved bikeway facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Bicycle Master Plan includes a bicycle project improvement list, costs estimates of the improvements, and a list of potential funding sources; and

WHEREAS, an Initial Study was prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to evaluate whether this project would result in environmental impacts, and the City has determined that the Bicycle Master Plan will not result in significant environmental impacts, and may also result in beneficial impacts as a result of reducing vehicle miles traveled; 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 and a Draft Negative Declaration was prepared and circulated for public review and comment; and

WHEREAS, no public comments or responses were received in regard to the Draft Negative Declaration and Initial Study prepared for this project; and

WHEREAS, Public Notice of the proposed Draft Negative Declaration was posted as required by Section 21092 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted by the Planning Commission on November 24, 2009 to consider the Initial Study and the proposed Negative Declaration prepared for the proposed project, and to accept public testimony on the Bicycle Master Plan and environmental determination; and

WHEREAS, based on the information and analysis contained in the Initial Study prepared for this project and testimony received as a result of the public notice, the Planning Commission finds that there is no substantial evidence that there would be a significant impact on the environment as a result of implementation of the Bicycle Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Planning Commission of the City of El Paso de Robles, based on its independent judgment, that it does hereby recommend the City Council adopt a Negative Declaration for the Bicycle Master Plan in accordance with the Statutes and Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City's Procedures for Implementing CEQA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th day of November, 2009, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gregory, Holstine, Johnson, Garcia, Nemeth and Chairman Treatch
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Peterson
ABSTAIN: None

CHAIRMAN CHARLES TREATCH

ATTEST:

RON WHISENAND, PLANNING COMMISSION SECRETARY