Attachment 1

RESOLUTION 23-XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR "CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS WILDFIRE PREVENTION GRANTS" AND FINDING THE ACTION IS NOT A PROJECT UNDER CEQA PURSUANT TO STATE CEQA GUIDELINES §§ 15060, subd. (b)(2)-(3), 15378.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California in cooperation with the California State Legislature has enacted State of California Climate Investment, which provides funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for fire prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program with the State, setting up necessary procedures governing application by local agencies, non-profit organizations, and others under the program; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is seeking grant funding in the area of vegetation management equipment for hazardous fuels reduction projects and prior approval by the City Council is required before applying; and

WHEREAS, the city will enter into an agreement with the State of California in order to purchase equipment, not to exceed \$750,000 to be utilized for the Salinas River Vegetation Management Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. All of the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
- Section 2. The action approving and authorizing the filing of the application is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State Guidelines Section State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15060, subd. (b)(2)-(3), 15378.
- Section 3. Approves and authorizes the filing of an application for "California Climate Investment Wildfire Prevention Grants Program".
- Section 4. Certifies that said applicant has or will have sufficient funds to purchase requested equipment.
- <u>Section 5.</u> Certifies that said applicant will expend grant funds prior to March 15, 2029.
- <u>Section 6.</u> Appoints Fire Chief or a designee, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

APPROVED this 21 day of February 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
ATTEST:	Steven W. Martin, Mayor
Melissa Boyer, City Clerk	