Attachment 3

RESOLUTION 23-XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF ONE 28-INCH COAST LIVE OAK ON 18TH STREET

(OTR 23-02 – CITY INITIATED)

WHEREAS, the tree removal request is related to a 28-inch Coast Live Oak located at 204 18th Street, and stems from a report by a member of the public concerning damage to the tree; and

WHEREAS, Nate Wyatt, on behalf of the Public Works Department, contracted with City Certified Arborist Chris Stier, Greenvale Tree Company, to evaluate the tree; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stier has provided a Report, which is attached hereto, recommending removal indicating the subject oak tree is decayed beyond remediation and presents a hazard; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Director could not make the determination that the tree is "clearly dead or diseased beyond correction," and therefore, Section 10.01.050.C of the Oak Tree Ordinance would consider the tree "healthy" and require that the City Council make the determination of whether the tree should be removed or not, after consideration of the factors listed in Section 10.01.050.D.

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.   Findings. The City Council finds the factors outlined in Section 10.01.050.D, and the information provided by the Arborist, justify the removal request for a 28-inch Coast Live Oak located at 204 18th Street.

Section 3.   Mitigation.   The City will plant three 24-inch box Coast Live Oak replacement trees in an appropriate location on public property.

Section 4.   CEQA.   The City finds that this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15304 for minor alterations to land.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of April, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

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Steven W. Martin, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Melissa Boyer, City Clerk