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## ORDINANCE NO. 1153 N.S.

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES AMENDING CHAPTER 12.44.010 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES REGARDING EMPLOYEE PARKING PERMITS**

WHEREAS, the Downtown Employee Permit Parking Pilot Program was approved by the City Council on October 16, 2018, to provide a low-cost parking option for downtown business owners and employees; and

WHEREAS, the employee permit parking lots are located at Spring Street and 12th Street, 12th Street, adjacent to Marv's Pizza, Alley between Pine Street and Railroad Street, 13th Street and 12th Street, and 12th Street and Railroad Street; and

WHEREAS, these City-owned lots collectively provide a total of 98 parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, the program was initially established prior to the implementation of paid on-street parking; and

WHEREAS, the intent was to encourage employees to use designated lots, leaving on-street spaces available for customers.

WHEREAS, in May 2024, the City Council ended the paid, on-street parking program. Most on-street parking spaces within the downtown area are now first come, first served, without any time restrictions.

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2024, the City Council discussed and requested staff provide additional analysis on the employee parking permit program; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2024, the City Council determined that the employee permit parking program no longer meets its intended purpose and has elected to eliminate the program as of January 1, 2025, allowing all previously restricted employee parking lots to revert to first come, first served public parking lots.

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

Section 1. The recitals above are each incorporated by reference and adopted as findings by the City Council.

Section 2. Section 12.44.010 of the Municipal Code of the City of El Paso de Robles is hereby deleted in its entirety:

12.44.010 - Employee parking permits.

A. The city manager or designee may issue downtown employee parking permits with a term not to exceed one year subject to the requirements set forth in this subsection of this chapter and in administrative rules and regulations issued pursuant to this chapter.

B. A vehicle with a valid downtown employee parking permit shall be permitted to stand or be parked in an employee permit parking zone for which the permit has been issued. Any vehicle that has not been issued a valid parking permit shall be subject to the requirements and restrictions related to parking within the parking zones.

C. A downtown employee parking permit or any other permit as designated by the city manager shall not guarantee or reserve to the holder thereof a specific parking space within the designated permit parking zone.

D. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied in a manner that shall abridge or alter regulations established by authority other than this chapter.

Section 3. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Under Section 15378(b)(2), continued administrative activities such as policy making are not CEQA projects. The amendments to Municipal Code Section 12.44.010 are policies adopted by the City Council to regulate employee

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parking within City-owned parking lots. Additionally, pursuant to Section Attachment 1 15061(b)(3) CEQA does not apply to this amendment because there is no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after its passage and adoption as provided by Government Code section 36397.

Section 6. Publication. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this Ordinance by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, California, and cause the Ordinance to be published once within 15 days after passage in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City in accordance with Government Code section 36933.

INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the City Council held on December 3, 2024, for first reading by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, and adopted on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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John R. Hamon, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Melissa Boyer, City Clerk