ORDINANCE NO. 656 N.S.
AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL AND ZONING CODES REGARDING SUSPENSION
OF CONSIDERATION OF TATTOO PARLORS
(URGENCY MEASURE)

The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, State of California, ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council does hereby find, determine and declare as follows:

a. The City of El Paso de Robles is currently up-dating the Municipal and Zoning Codes, and

b. As part of the codes up-date process, there will be consideration of changes to provisions relative to commercial land uses, particularly in relation to General Plan Goals relative to preservation of Paso Robles' unique small town character and high quality of life, including but not limited to preservation of residential neighborhoods, and downtown revitalization; and

c. Pursuant to General Plan goals, the General Plan policies and programs call for preservation of the "small town" character that the City has historically enjoyed, including revitalizing of the historic downtown area including but not limited to the quality of development; and

d. Concerns have been expressed regarding the adequacy of certain existing provisions of the Municipal and Zoning Codes of the City of El Paso de Robles, and in particular their ability to meet the purpose and intent of General Plan Goals and Policies; and

e. Those concerns center on the adequacy of existing code provisions and development standards to control the number, location, health and land use related impacts of tattoo parlors; and

f. For the purposes of this Resolution, tattoo parlor uses are defined as the class of land uses that includes but is not limited to a place of business where indelible marks or figures are affixed to the body by insertion of pigment under the skin;

g. Consideration of new tattoo parlors in advance of the adoption of adequate Municipal and Zoning Code provisions, to appropriately control the number, location, health and development standards, could be not only counter-productive but also contrary to the purpose and intent of the General Plan:

SECTION 2. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles, California, that the City staff is hereby directed to suspend the acceptance or processing of applications for Business Licenses and/or Planning approvals for new or additional tattoo parlors. The effective time and date of said suspension of applications that are determined to be complete by 5:00 PM shall be on Tuesday, June 1, 1993; said suspension is intended to provide time for the adoption of revisions to the Municipal and Zoning Codes, along with implementing measures, including but not limited to zoning consistency and development standards, designed to insure that tattoo parlors are not counter-productive to the purpose and intent of the General Plan.

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SECTION 3. This ordinance shall remain in effect only until July 15, 1993 and as of such date is repealed, unless a later enacted ordinance, which is effective before July 15, 1993, deletes or extends such date, or if an extension of this ordinance is adopted.

SECTION 4. This ordinance is an ordinance for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare and shall take effect immediately in accordance with Section 65858 of the Government Code of the State of California. Before the passage of 15 days after adoption of this ordinance, it shall be published with the names of the Council members voting for and against same, once in the Country News, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 1st day of June, 1993, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: HEGGARTY, MACKLIN, MARTIN, PICANCO, IVERSEN

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

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MAYOR CHRISTIAN E. IVERSEN

ATTEST:

RICHARD J. RAMIREZ, CITY CLERK

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