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RESOLUTION NO. 1910R.04.02

“PASO DEL NORTE TRAIL RESOLUTION”

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF SAN ELIZARIO TO ENDORSE THE PASO DEL NORTE TRAIL MASTER PLAN ALIGNMENTS 4.1, 4-E, 5.0, THAT ARE WITHIN CITY LIMITS.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City of San Elizario Comprehensive Plan was formally adopted by the City Council on May 24, 2016 and this plan included the goal of encouraging pedestrian accessibility and safety as well as adopting policies that preserve open space, develop sustainable water resources, increase walkability and street connectivity; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Elizario Zoning Ordinance was formally adopted by the City Council on May 24, 2016 and this ordinance included the goal of promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the public and to implement the adopted comprehensive plan for the orderly and controlled development of the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Elizario’s “Our Future – Our Choices” visionary goals support the promotion of community vitality through health and wellness services for all ages, and active living to support mental physical and mental health; and

WHEREAS, trails and outdoor recreation opportunities are an excellent way for people to get outdoors and explore their communities, plus trails create important connections between amenities (parks, schools, businesses), which can lead to economic development, and improve overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS, bicycling is a key component of a multi-modal transportation system by improving the quality of life, providing transportation options, transforming and

enhancing a community, and is an effective means to promote healthy activities for all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, in addition to helping control weight, physical activity helps prevent heart disease, helps control cholesterol levels and diabetes, slows bone loss associated with advancing age, lowers the risk of certain cancers and helps reduce anxiety and depression; and

WHEREAS, the Paso del Norte Trail Master Plan was funded by the Paso del Norte Health Foundation and published in October 2018 with the goal of serving as a regional attraction that connects communities, celebrates El Paso County's history and culture, highlights the Rio Grande and El Paso County neighborhoods, promotes health and active living, and catalyzes economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Paso del Norte Trail corridor extends roughly 60 miles-the full length of El Paso County from the New Mexico-Texas border at Anthony south along the Rio Grande, past the Franklin Mountains and Sunland Park, through Downtown El Paso, the Medical Center of the Americas, Chamizal National Memorial, Playa Drain, and then southeast into the rural communities of the Mission Valley past the historic missions, including San Elizario, to the farmlands beyond; and

WHEREAS, the development of the Paso del Norte Trail Master Plan was led by a team of volunteers and staff from the Paso del Norte Health Foundation, County of El Paso, City of El Paso, El Paso Water, El Paso Water Improvement District No. 1, El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization, Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority, Texas Department of Transportation, UTEP Institute for Healthy Living, and Houghton Financial, and with input and support from hundreds of residents and dozens of committed and engaged stakeholders; and

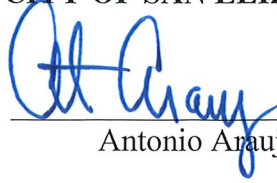
WHEREAS, a goal of the Paso del Norte Trail is that it be a destination-worthy trail that functions as a recreation and transportation trail, becoming a source of pride and positive focus for the City of San Elizario, by serving as a cornerstone for future trails, and supporting the City's vision for eco-tourism, community health and recreational opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of San Elizario:

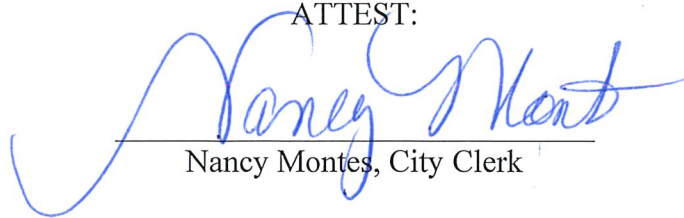
1. The foregoing recitals are adopted as facts and are incorporated fully herein.
2. That the Mayor and City Council officially endorse the implementation of the Paso del Norte Trail Alignments 4.1, 4-E, and 5.0 that are within City Limits.

PASSED AND APPROVED this, the 22 day of October, 2019, by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays) to 0 (abstentions) of the City Council of San Elizario, Texas.

CITY OF SAN ELIZARIO, TEXAS


Antonio Araujo, Mayor

ATTEST:


Nancy Montes, City Clerk

