FINDINGS OF FACT

Hermiston Housing Code Adoption

Ordinance No 2390

November 23, 2026

Statewide Planning Goals and Comprehensive Plan Policies.

Goal 1 and Policy 1. Citizen Involvement. The City will ensure that citizens have an adequate opportunity to be involved in all phases of the planning process.

1. Notice of the planning commission hearing was published in the East Oregonian at least 20 days prior to the hearing on October 21 and 28, 2026 in accordance with §157.229 of the Hermiston Code of Ordinances. The notice of public hearing included notification that the city council will hold a public hearing on November 23, 2026 constituting two evidentiary hearings on this matter.

2. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on November 9, 2026 in accordance with §157.226(F).

3. The City Council held a public hearing on November 23, 2026 in accordance with §157.226(F).

4. An notice of public hearing consistent with ORS 227.186 informing owners of R-2 property of a change in the permitted uses in the R-2 zone was provided by direct mail to all owners of record of R-2 zoned property as determined by City of Hermiston zoning data and Umatilla County ownership records on October 21, 2026.

5. Two public workshops were held. One workshop was held on September 9, 2026 before the Hermiston Planning Commission. A second workshop was held on October 12, 2026 before the Hermiston City Council.

Goal 1 and Policy 2. Planning Process. The City of Hermiston will monitor and update periodically its comprehensive plan and implementing ordinances to respond to changing conditions.

6. Policy 2 requires the City to annually review development activity and its impacts.

7. The City of Hermiston received a Housing Planning Assistance grant from the State of Oregon in 2025 to facilitate a review and update of the city development code to comply with state level housing law changes. After receiving the grant and developing a work plan to review the existing code, it was determined that a

significant update is needed and the necessary changes are included in Ordinance 2390.

Goal 2 and Policy 3. Intergovernmental Coordination. The City of Hermiston will facilitate intergovernmental coordination so that decisions affecting local, state, and federal planning and development actions in the Hermiston area are rendered in an efficient and consistent manner.

8. The notice of proposed amendment was sent to the Department of Land Conservation and Development on October 6, 2026, 35 days prior to the first evidentiary hearing in accord with Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 660, Division 18.

9. The project management team overseeing development of the code amendments included staff from the Oregon Department Land Conservation and Development, and the City of Hermiston.

10. Affected agencies, consisting of Umatilla County, Oregon Department of Transportation, Hermiston Irrigation District, Hermiston School District, Umatilla County Fire District #1, Umatilla County Emergency Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation were provided notice by direct mail on October 21, 2026.