

RESOLUTION NO. 2297

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT DEVELOPED BY
HACIENDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION IN COOPERATION WITH
THE HERMISTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the City of Hermiston ("City") is experiencing growth spurred by economic development creating a wide range of job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the growth in housing stock to meet the increased housing demand is needed across all types of housing but especially those types utilized by working families; and

WHEREAS, the demand for quality affordable housing for middle- and lower-income families has not been met; and

WHEREAS, the City, the Hermiston School District and Umatilla County have since 2017 partnered to invest more than \$5 million in water, sewer and road infrastructure in the area proposed for development for the purpose of reducing the overall cost of future developments within the area; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted a formal review of its System Development Charges (SDC's) in 2021 to ensure that new development covers the cost of demands placed on public utilities, parks, and roadways; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted updated SDC rates 93% below what was allowed in order to support affordability of future developments; and

WHEREAS, the City believes it is in the interest of our community to support quality housing to meet the needs of all its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HERMISTON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Loma Vista Housing Project receives support from the City Council in Hacienda Community Development's efforts to seek funding for the project.
2. That the City Manager and City staff work with Hacienda Community Development Corporation and the Hermiston School District to ensure that a quality housing complex is developed and maintained on property adjacent to the Loma Vista Elementary School.
3. That this resolution is effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED by the Common Council this 13th day of November 2023.

SIGNED by the Council President this 13th day of November 2023.

Doug Primmer, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

Lilly Alarcon-Strong, CMC, CITY RECORDER