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July 2, 2024

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## **RE: City of Soledad Prohousing Designation Program**

On behalf of the City of Soledad, I am pleased to submit our application for Prohousing Designation. I realize that the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) must utilize a rubric to equitably score applications. However, I believe the application can make it more difficult to demonstrate the significant efforts of smaller, rural jurisdictions like Soledad that have fewer resources and greater impediments to achieving Prohousing Designation. As a result, I wanted to take the opportunity to highlight the tremendous strides Soledad has made to become pro-housing including hiring a full-time Housing Analyst, an unusual feat for a city of our size.

Between December 2022 and October 2023, the City adopted twelve (12) ordinances to modify the Zoning Code to streamline housing approvals, facilitate production, and to allow services for our most vulnerable populations (emergency shelter, navigation center, transitional housing, and single room occupancy buildings). The City also strengthened our Inclusionary Housing Ordinance to ensure concurrent development of market rate and inclusionary units. These revisions represent the most comprehensive update to our municipal code since the General Plan was adopted in 2005.

The City has aggressively promoted and streamlined approvals for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Since 2019, fifty-seven (57) ADUs have been constructed. Based upon available data, there are more ADUs proportionally (per capita) in Soledad than in any jurisdiction in Monterey County. Last year, the City made available pre-approved plans for ADU development and in April 2024 conducted a bilingual workshop with 45 attendees. With our outreach efforts, the City has 21 new ADU applications and already issued permits for seven.

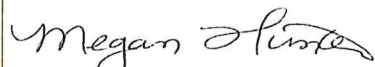
The City has been lasered focused on building affordable housing especially for our low and very-low income individuals and families and providing services and a pathway for housing for those experiencing homelessness. In January 2024, the City Council approved the purchase of 540 Gabilan, a 4.564-acre site for \$1.728 million to construct up to 100 units of affordable housing for low-income families. The City is in the process of identifying a developer for the site, which is adjacent to a future city park. The City also partnered with the County in applying for an Encampment Resolution Funding Program Grant to address

an encampment on the city/county border. In April, the City was notified that a grant for \$4.7 million was awarded and is working with the County on implementation. In addition to this partnership, the City has been working with County and Housing Authority staff to establish a permanent supportive housing project for transitional aged youth with minor children (parenting youth), the first such program in the Monterey County.

To continue to facilitate housing production, City staff have proactively engaged developers of two stalled residential projects. Through this work, the City has been able to forge partnerships between two market rate and two affordable housing developers. Recently, the City Council approved a Planned Unit Development amendment to facilitate the development of 104 small lot single-family homes, 24 of which will be set aside for moderate income families, and an additional 40 units of affordable rental housing for low and very low-income families. A similar project in another part of town has applied for a tentative tract map. If approved, the City will have facilitated the development of 132 small lot single-family homes, 36 ownership and rental units for moderate income households and seniors, and 40 rental units for low and very low-income families. These developments would bring a much-needed range of housing types that are more affordable for our residents and ensure that approximately 37% of the units are available to moderate, low, and very low-income individuals and families.

I appreciate your consideration of our application for the prohousing designation. I wanted to provide this additional information because it is difficult to capture the bigger picture of our commitment to being “prohousing” based upon the application form. Please feel free to call me at (831) 223-5014 or Beatriz Trujillo, Housing Analyst at (831) 529-6934 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Megan Hunter  
City Manager

# Prohousing Designation Program Application



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Governor Gavin Newsom**

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# Prohousing Designation Program Application Package Instructions

The applicant is applying for a Prohousing Designation under the Prohousing Designation Program (“**Prohousing**” or “**Program**”), which is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (“**Department**”) pursuant to Government Code section 65589.9.

The Program creates incentives for Jurisdictions that are compliant with State Housing Element Law and that have enacted Prohousing Policies. These incentives will take the form of additional points or other preference in the scoring of applications for competitive housing and infrastructure programs. The administrators of each such program will determine the value and form of the preference.

In order to be considered for a Prohousing Designation, the applicant must accurately complete all sections of this application, including any relevant appendices. The Department reserves the right to request additional clarifying information from the applicant.

This application is subject to Government Code section 65589.9 and to the regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 25, § 6600 et seq.) adopted by the Department in promulgation thereof (“**Regulations**”). All capitalized terms in this application shall have the meanings set forth in the Regulations.

All applicants must submit a complete, signed application package to the Department, in electronic format, in order to be considered for a Prohousing Designation. Please direct electronic copies of the completed application package to the following email address: [ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov).

A complete application will include all items identified in the Application Checklist.

In relation to **Appendix 1**, the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program, please use ~~strikethrough~~ and underline if proposing any modifications to the text of the Resolution. Please be aware, any substantive deviations from the Formal Resolution may result in an incomplete application and will likely be subject to additional internal review and potential delays.

**Appendix 2**, the Proposed Policy Completion Schedule, applies only if an application includes proposed policies.

**Appendix 3**, Project Proposal Scoring Sheet and Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet, includes a blank template to be completed by the applicant as part of the application, as well as a Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet with an example of how this template may be completed.

**Appendix 4** lists examples of Prohousing Policies with enhancement factors to aid applicants in understanding how enhancement factors may be applied.

**Appendix 5** is where the applicant will include any additional information and supporting documentation for the application.

If you have questions regarding this application or the Program, or if you require technical assistance in preparing this application, please email [ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:ProhousingPolicies@hcd.ca.gov).

### Application Checklist

	Yes	No
Application Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Certification and Acknowledgement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Legislative Information form is completed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Threshold Requirements Checklist is completed.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A duly adopted and certified Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program is included in the application package. (See <b>Appendix 1</b> for the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program form.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If applicable, the Proposed Policy Completion Schedule is completed. (See <b>Appendix 2</b> .)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Project Proposal Scoring Sheet is completed. (See <b>Appendix 3</b> for the Project Proposal Scoring Sheet and the Sample Project Proposal Scoring Sheet.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional information and supporting documentation (Applicant to provide as <b>Appendix 5</b> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Application Information

Applicant (Jurisdiction):	City of Soledad
Applicant Mailing Address:	248 Main St
City:	Soledad
ZIP Code:	93960
Website:	<a href="https://www.cityofsoledad.com">https://www.cityofsoledad.com</a>
Authorized Representative Name	Megan Hunter
Authorized Representative Title:	City Manager
Phone:	mhunter@cityofsoledad.gov
Email:	831-529-6948
Contact Person Name:	Beatriz Trujillo
Contact Person Title:	Housing Analyst
Phone:	831-529-6934
Email:	btrujillo@cityofsoledad.gov
<b>Proposed Total Score (Based on Appendix 3):</b>	38

## CERTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As authorized by the Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program (Resolution No. 6073), which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if set forth in full, I hereby submit this full and complete application on behalf of the applicant.

I certify that all information and representations set forth in this application are true and correct.

I further certify that any proposed Prohousing Policy identified herein will be enacted within two (2) years of the date of this application submittal.

I acknowledge that this application constitutes a public record under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code, § 6250 et seq.) and is therefore subject to public disclosure by the Department.

Signature: Megan Hunter  
Megan Hunter (Jul 3, 2024 13:48 PDT)

Name and Title: Megan Hunter, City Manager

Date: 07/03/2024

### Legislative Information

District	Number	Legislators Name(s)
State Assembly District	29	Robert Rivas
State Senate District	14	Ana Caballero

Applicants can find their respective State Senate representatives at <https://www.senate.ca.gov/>, and their respective State Assembly representatives at <https://www.assembly.ca.gov/>

### Threshold Requirements Checklist

The applicant meets the following threshold requirements in accordance with Section 6604 of the Regulations:

	Yes	No
The applicant is a Jurisdiction.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The applicant has adopted a Compliant Housing Element.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The applicant has submitted or will submit a legally sufficient Annual Progress Report prior to designation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The applicant has completed or agrees to complete, on or before the relevant statutory deadlines, any rezone program or zoning that is necessary to remain in compliance with Government Code sections 65583, subdivision (c)(1), and 65584.09, subdivision (a), and with California Coastal Commission certification where appropriate.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The applicant is in compliance, at the time of the application, with applicable state housing law, including, but not limited to those included in Government Section 65585, subdivision (j); laws relating to the imposition of school facilities fees or other requirements (Gov. Code, § 65995 et seq.); Least Cost Zoning Law (Gov. Code, § 65913.1); Permit Streamlining Act (Gov. Code, § 65920 et seq.); and provisions relating to timeliness of CEQA processing by local governments in Public Resources Code sections 21080.1, 21080.2, and 21151.5(a).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its treatment of homeless encampments on public property complies with and will continue to comply with the constitutional rights of persons experiencing homelessness and that it has submitted a one-page summary to the Department demonstrating how the applicant has enacted best practices in their jurisdiction related to the treatment of unhoused individuals camping on public property, consistent with United States Interagency Council on Homelessness' "7 Principles for Addressing Encampments," (June 17, 2022 update), hereby incorporated by reference.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The applicant has duly adopted and certified, by the applicant's governing body, a Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program, which is hereby incorporated by reference. (A true and correct copy of the resolution is included in this application package.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



**Project Proposal**  
**Category 1: Favorable Zoning and Land Use**

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
1A	Sufficient sites, including rezoning, to accommodate 150 percent or greater of the current or draft RHNA, whichever is greater, by total and income category. These additional sites must be identified in the Jurisdiction's housing element adequate sites inventory, consistent with Government Code section 65583, subdivisions (a)(3) and (c)(1).	3
1B	Permitting missing middle housing uses (e.g., duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes) by right in existing low-density, single-family residential zones in a manner that exceeds the requirements of SB 9 (Chapter 162, Statutes of 2021, Gov. Code, §§ 65852.21, 66411.7).	3
1C	Sufficient sites, including rezoning, to accommodate 125 to 149 percent of the current or draft RHNA, whichever is greater, by total and income category. These points shall not be awarded if the applicant earns three points pursuant to Category (1)(A) above. These additional sites must be identified in the Jurisdiction's housing element adequate sites inventory, consistent with Government Code section 65583, subdivisions (a)(3) and (c)(1).	2
1D	Density bonus programs that allow additional density for additional affordability beyond minimum statutory requirements (Gov. Code, § 65915 et seq.).	2
1E	Increasing allowable density in low-density, single-family residential areas beyond the requirements of state Accessory Dwelling Unit Law, (Gov. Code, §§ 65852.2, 65852.22) (e.g., permitting more than one converted ADU; one detached, new construction ADU; and one JADU per single-family lot), and in a manner that exceeds the requirements of SB 9 (Chapter 192, Statutes of 2021, Gov. Code, §§ 65852.21, 66411.7). These policies shall be separate from any qualifying policies under Category (1)(B).	2
1F	Eliminating minimum parking requirements for residential development as authorized by Government Code section 65852.2; adopting vehicular parking ratios that are less than the relevant ratio thresholds at subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of Gov. Code section 65915, subdivision (p)(1); or adopting maximum parking requirements at or less than ratios pursuant to Gov. Code section 65915, subdivision (p).	2
1G	Zoning or incentives that are designed to increase affordable housing development in a range of types, including, but not limited to, large family units, Supportive Housing, housing for transition age foster youth, and deep affordability targeted for Extremely Low-Income Households in all parts of the Jurisdiction, with at least some of the zoning, other land use designation methods, or incentives being designed to increase affordable housing development in higher resource areas shown in the TCAC/HCD Opportunity Map, and with the Jurisdiction having confirmed that it considered and addressed potential environmental justice issues in adopting and implementing	2

	this policy, especially in areas with existing industrial and polluting uses.	
1H	Zoning or other land use designation methods to allow for residential or mixed uses in one or more non-residential zones (e.g., commercial, light industrial). Qualifying non-residential zones do not include open space or substantially similar zones.	1
1I	Modification of development standards and other applicable zoning provisions or land use designation methods to promote greater development intensity. Potential areas of focus include floor area ratio, height limits, minimum lot or unit sizes, setbacks, and allowable dwelling units per acre. These policies must be separate from any qualifying policies under Category (1)(B) above.	1
1J	Establishment of a Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone, as defined in Government Code section 65620, or a Housing Sustainability District, as defined in Government Code section 66200.	1
1K	Establishment of an inclusionary housing program requiring new developments to include housing affordable to and reserved for low- and very low-income households, consistent with the requirements of AB 1505 (Chapter 376, Statutes of 2017, Gov. Code, § 65850.01).	1
1L	Other zoning and land use actions not described in Categories (A)-(K) of this section that measurably support the Acceleration of Housing Production.	1

**Project Proposal**  
**Category 2: Acceleration of Housing Production Timeframes**

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
2A	Establishment of ministerial approval processes for multiple housing types, including, for example, single-family, multifamily and mixed-use housing.	3
2B	Acceleration of Housing Production through the establishment of streamlined, program-level CEQA analysis and certification of general plans, community plans, specific plans with accompanying Environmental Impact Reports (EIR), and related documents.	2
2C	Documented practice of streamlining housing development at the project level, such as by enabling a by-right approval process or by utilizing statutory and categorical exemptions as authorized by applicable law, (e.g., Pub. Resources Code, §§ 21155.1, 21155.4, 21159.24, 21159.25; Gov. Code, § 65457; Cal Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15303, 15332; Pub. Resources Code, §§ 21094.5, 21099, 21155.2, 21159.28).	2
2D	Establishment of permitting processes that take less than four months to complete. Policies under this category must address all approvals necessary to issue building permits.	2
2E	Absence or elimination of public hearings for projects consistent with zoning and the general plan.	2
2F	Priority permit processing or reduced plan check times for homes affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
2G	Establishment of consolidated or streamlined permit processes that minimize the levels of review and approval required for projects, and that are consistent with zoning regulations and the general plan.	1
2H	Absence, elimination, or replacement of subjective development and design standards with objective development and design standards that simplify zoning clearance and improve approval certainty and timing.	1
2I	Establishment of one-stop-shop permitting processes or a single point of contact where entitlements are coordinated across city approval functions (e.g., planning, public works, building) from entitlement application to certificate of occupancy.	1
2J	Priority permit processing or reduced plan check times for ADUs/JADUs or multifamily housing.	1
2K	Establishment of a standardized application form for all entitlement applications.	1
2L	Documented practice of publicly posting status updates on project permit approvals on the internet.	1
2M	Limitation on the total number of hearings for any project to three or fewer. Applicants that accrue points pursuant to category (2)(E) are not eligible for points under this category.	1
2N	Other policies not described in Categories (2)(A)-(M) of this section that quantifiably decrease production timeframes or promote the streamlining of approval processes.	1

**Project Proposal**  
**Category 3: Reduction of Construction and Development Costs**

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
3A	Waiver or significant reduction of development impact fees for residential development with units affordable to Lower-Income Households. This provision does not include fees associated with the provision of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households (e.g., inclusionary in lieu fees, affordable housing impact fees, and commercial linkage fees).	3
3B	Adoption of policies that result in less restrictive requirements than Government Code sections 65852.2 and 65852.22 to reduce barriers for property owners to create ADUs/JADUs. Examples of qualifying policies include, but are not limited to, development standards improvements, permit processing improvements, dedicated ADU/JADU staff, technical assistance programs, and pre-approved ADU/JADU design packages.	2
3C	Adoption of other fee reduction strategies separate from Category (3)(A), including fee deferrals and reduced fees for housing for persons with special needs. This provision does not include fees associated with the provision of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households (e.g., inclusionary in lieu fees, affordable impact fees and commercial linkage fees).	1
3D	Accelerating innovative housing production through innovative housing types (e.g., manufactured homes, recreational vehicles, park models, community ownership, and other forms of social housing) that reduce development costs.	1
3E	Measures that reduce costs for transportation-related infrastructure or programs that encourage active modes of transportation or other alternatives to automobiles. Qualifying policies include, but are not limited to, publicly funded programs to expand sidewalks or protect bike/micro-mobility lanes, creation of on-street parking for bikes, transit-related improvements, or establishment of carshare programs.	1
3F	Adoption of universal design ordinances pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 17959.	1
3G	Establishment of pre-approved or prototype plans for missing middle housing types (e.g., duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes) in low-density, single-family residential areas.	1
3H	Adoption of ordinances that reduce barriers, beyond existing law, for the development of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
3I	Other policies not described in Categories (3)(A)-(H) of this section that quantifiably reduce construction or development costs.	1

**Project Proposal**  
**Category 4: Providing Financial Subsidies**

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
4A	Establishment of a housing fund or contribution of funds towards affordable housing through proceeds from approved ballot measures.	2
4B	Establishment of local housing trust funds or collaboration on a regional housing trust fund, which include the Jurisdiction's own funding contributions. The Jurisdiction must contribute to the local or regional housing trust fund regularly and significantly. For the purposes of this Category, "regularly" shall be defined as at least annually, and "significant" contributions shall be determined based on the impact the contributions have in accelerating the production of affordable housing.	2
4C	Demonstration of regular use or planned regular use of funding (e.g., federal, state, or local) for preserving assisted units at-risk of conversion to market rate uses and conversion of market rate uses to units with affordability restrictions (e.g., acquisition/rehabilitation). For the purposes of this category, "regular use" can be demonstrated through the number of units preserved annually by utilizing this funding source.	2
4D	Provide grants or low-interest loans for ADU/JADU construction affordable to Lower- and Moderate-Income Households.	2
4E	A comprehensive program that complies with the Surplus Land Act (Gov. Code, § 54220 et seq.) and that makes publicly owned land available for affordable housing, or for multifamily housing projects with the highest feasible percentage of units affordable to Lower Income Households. A qualifying program may utilize mechanisms such as land donations, land sales with significant write-downs, or below-market land leases.	2
4F	Establishment of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District or similar local financing tool that, to the extent feasible, directly supports housing developments in an area where at least 20 percent of the residences will be affordable to Lower-Income Households.	2
4G	Prioritization of local general funds to accelerate the production of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	2
4H	Directed residual redevelopment funds to accelerate the production of affordable housing.	1
4I	Development and regular (at least biennial) use of a housing subsidy pool, local or regional trust fund, or other similar funding source sufficient to facilitate and support the development of housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1

4J	Prioritization of local general funds for affordable housing. This point shall not be awarded if the applicant earns two points pursuant to Category (4)(G).	1
4K	Providing operating subsidies for permanent Supportive Housing.	1
4L	Providing subsidies for housing affordable to Extremely Low-Income Households.	1
4M	Other policies not described in Categories (4)(A)-(L) of this section that quantifiably promote, develop, or leverage financial resources for housing affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1

## Project Proposal Enhancement Factors

The Department shall utilize enhancement factors to increase the point scores of Prohousing Policies. An individual Prohousing Policy may not use more than one enhancement factor. Each Prohousing Policy will receive extra points for enhancement factors in accordance with the chart below.

Category	Prohousing Policy Description	Points
1	The policy represents one element of a unified, multi-faceted strategy to promote multiple planning objectives, such as efficient land use, access to public transportation, housing affordable to Lower-Income Households, climate change solutions, and/or hazard mitigation.	2
2	Policies that promote development consistent with the state planning priorities pursuant to Government Code section 65041.1.	1
3	Policies that diversify planning and target community and economic development investments (housing and non-housing) toward place-based strategies for community revitalization and equitable quality of life in lower opportunity areas. Such areas include, but are not limited to, Low Resource and High Segregation & Poverty areas designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps, and disadvantaged communities pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 39711 and 39715 (California Senate Bill 535 (2012)).	1
4	Policies that go beyond state law requirements in reducing displacement of Lower-Income Households and conserving existing housing stock that is affordable to Lower-Income Households.	1
5	Rezoning and other policies that support intensification of residential development in Location Efficient Communities.	1
6	Rezoning and other policies that result in a net gain of housing capacity while concurrently mitigating development impacts on or from Environmentally Sensitive or Hazardous Areas.	1
7	Zoning policies, including inclusionary housing policies, that increase housing choices and affordability, particularly for Lower-Income Households, in High Resource and Highest Resource areas, as designated in the most recently updated TCAC/HCD Opportunity Maps.	1
8	Other policies that involve meaningful actions towards Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing outside of those required pursuant to Government Code sections 65583, subdivision (c)(10), and 8899.50, including, but not limited to, outreach campaigns, updated zoning codes, and expanded access to financing support.	1

## Project Proposal Scoring Sheet Instructions

The Department shall validate applicants' scores based on the extent to which each identified Prohousing Policy contributes to the Acceleration of Housing Production. The Department shall assess applicants' Prohousing Policies in accordance with statutory requirements and the Regulations.

The Department shall further assess applicants' Prohousing Policies using the following four scoring categories: Favorable Zoning and Land Use, Acceleration of Housing Production Timeframes, Reduction of Construction and Development Costs, and Providing Financial Subsidies. Applicants shall demonstrate that they have enacted or proposed at least one policy that significantly contributes to the Acceleration of Housing Production in each of the four categories. A Prohousing Designation requires a total score of 30 points or more across all four categories.

### Instructions

Please utilize one row of the Scoring Sheet for each Prohousing Policy.

- **Category Number:** Select the relevant category number from the relevant Project Proposal list in this application. Where appropriate, applicants may utilize a category number more than once.
- **Concise Written Description of Prohousing Policy:** Set forth a brief description of the enacted or proposed Prohousing Policy.
- **Enacted or Proposed:** Identify the Prohousing Policy as enacted or proposed. For proposed Prohousing Policies, please complete **Appendix 2: Proposed Policy Completion Schedule**.
- **Documentation Type:** For enacted Prohousing Policies, identify the relevant documentary evidence (e.g., resolution, zoning code provisions). For proposed Prohousing Policies, identify the documentation which shows that implementation of the policy is pending.
- **Web Links/Electronic Copies:** Insert the Web link(s) to the relevant documentation or indicate that electronic copies of the documentation have been attached to this application as **Appendix 5**.
- **Points:** Enter the appropriate number of points using the relevant Project Proposal list in this application.
- **Enhancement Category Number (optional):** If utilizing an enhancement factor for a particular Prohousing Policy, enter the appropriate category number using the relevant Project Proposal list in this application.
- **Enhancement Points (optional):** If utilizing an enhancement factor for a particular Prohousing Policy, enter the point(s) for that Prohousing Policy.
- **Total Points:** Add the enhancement point(s) to the Prohousing Policy's general point score.



**Appendix 1: Formal Resolution for the Prohousing Designation Program**

**Formal Resolution for the PROHOUSING Designation Program**

**RESOLUTION NO.6073**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO AND  
PARTICIPATION IN THE PROHOUSING DESIGNATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Government Code section 65589.9 established the Prohousing Designation Program (“Program”), which creates incentives for jurisdictions that are compliant with state housing element requirements and that have enacted Prohousing local policies; and

WHEREAS, such jurisdictions will be designated Prohousing, and, as such, will receive additional points or other preference during the scoring of their competitive Applications for specified housing and infrastructure funding; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (“Department”) has adopted regulations (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 25, § 6600 et seq.) to implement the Program (“**Program Regulations**”), as authorized by Government Code section 65589.9, subdivision (d); and

WHEREAS, the **City of Soledad** (“Applicant”) desires to submit an Application for a Prohousing Designation (“Application”).

**THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to submit an Application to the Department.
2. Applicant acknowledges and confirms that it is currently in compliance with applicable state housing law.
3. Applicant acknowledges and confirms that it will continue to comply with applicable housing laws and to refrain from enacting laws, developing policies, or taking other local governmental actions that may or do inhibit or constrain housing production. Examples of such local laws, policies, and actions include moratoriums on development; local voter approval requirements related to housing production; downzoning; and unduly restrictive or onerous zoning regulations, development standards, or permit procedures. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that the Prohousing Policies in its Application comply with its duty to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing pursuant to Government Code sections 8899.50 and 65583. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its general plan is in alignment with an adopted sustainable communities strategy pursuant to Public Resources Code sections 21155-21155.4. Applicant further acknowledges and confirms that its policies for the treatment of homeless encampments on public property comply do and will continue to comply with the Constitution and that it has enacted best practices in its jurisdiction

that are consistent with the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness' "7 Principles for Addressing Encampments" (June 17, 2022, update).

4. If the Application is approved, Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver all documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to participate in the Program, and all amendments thereto (the "Program Documents").
5. Applicant acknowledges and agrees that it shall be subject to the Application, the terms and conditions specified in the Program Documents, the Program Regulations, and any and all other applicable law.
6. **City Manager** is authorized to execute and deliver the Application and the Program Documents on behalf of the Applicant for participation in the Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: [ 4 ] NOES: [ 0 ] ABSENT: [ 0 ] ABSTAIN: [ 0 ]

The undersigned, Megan Hunter, City Manager of Applicant, does hereby attest and certify that the foregoing is a true and full copy of a resolution of the Applicant's governing body adopted at a duly convened meeting on the date above-mentioned, and that the resolution has not been altered, amended, or repealed.

SIGNATURE: Megan Hunter  
Megan Hunter (Jul 3, 2024 13:48 PDT)

DATE: 07/03/2024

NAME: Megan Hunter

TITLE: City Manager

**Signature:**

**Email:** btrujillo@cityofsoledad.gov