

RESOLUTION NO. 56-25

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF MORRO BAY, CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR STATE REVOLVING FUND
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SUCH
AGREEMENT, AND ANY OTHER ACTION REQUIRED, FOR PURPOSES OF THE
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND GRANT**

**THE CITY COUNCIL
City of Morro Bay, California**

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2022, the City of Morro Bay (the "City") City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Cost Share Agreement with Rancho Colina Mutual Water Company (Rancho Colina) to fund the preparation of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Planning Grant application for the Rancho Colina Consolidation Evaluation Project; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, then the Planning Grants will provide the funding necessary to complete the water utility consolidation feasibility evaluation, design of Rancho Colina water connections and necessary upgrades to City water infrastructure (via OneWater projects) and application for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Construction Grant; and

WHEREAS, Rancho Colina is located on Highway 41, approximately a 1/2 mile east of the existing City jurisdictional limits and provides water, wastewater, and other services for approximately 69 Mobile Homes and 57 Recreational Vehicle (RV) camping sites; and

WHEREAS, Rancho Colina's groundwater wells have elevated concentrations of Nitrates and have nearly run dry during recent droughts, forcing Rancho Colina to truck in water from other wells in the Morro Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has contacted the City regarding the potential for Rancho Colina to connect to the City's water utilities. Due to the fact Rancho Colina provides water services to the Rancho Colina Mobile home community, which is classified as a Disadvantaged Community, there is significant grant funding available in the DWSRF (up to \$6M) programs to pay for infrastructure upgrades to the City's water systems to accommodate increased demand from Rancho Colina in addition to connections to Rancho Colina; and

WHEREAS, connecting Rancho Colina to the City's water system may allow the City to access DWSRF funding to reduce the costs to the City's rate payers for funding other necessary City Projects; and

WHEREAS, this authorizing resolution makes minor updates to the previous Authorizing Resolution 52-23, adopted on the 8th day of August 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORRO BAY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager (the "Authorized Representative") or designee is hereby authorized and directed to sign and file, for and on behalf of the City, a Financial Assistance Application for a grant agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Rancho Colina Consolidation Evaluation Project (the "Project").

SECTION 2. This Authorized Representative, or his/her designee, is designated to

provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance application, including executing a Financial Assistance Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board and any amendments or changes thereto.

SECTION 3. The Authorized Representative, or his/her designee, is designated to represent the City in carrying out the City's responsibilities under the financing agreement, including certifying disbursement requests on behalf of the City and compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Morro Bay at a regular meeting thereof held on the 12th day of November 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECUSED:

Carla Wixom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dana Swanson, City Clerk