RESOLUTION NO. 1925-25 WWD

A RESOLUTION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD OF THE WINDSOR WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION ACT (WIFIA) FOR CREDIT ASSISTANCE TO FUND THE WINDSOR WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY MODERNIZATION

WHEREAS, the secondary process system at the Wastewater Treatment Facility has aged past its useful life and requires replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Wastewater Treatment Facility does not currently have a means of managing biosolids handling in-house and wishes to do so as a cost control measure; and

WHEREAS, these two projects are essential for continued wastewater treatment, recycled water production, environmental protection, rate stability and achieving the wastewater treatment plant's NetZero goals; and

WHEREAS, the combined project need has been identified as $157,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) is a federal funding credit program administered by the EPA for eligible water and wastewater infrastructure projects, offering long-term loans that can be combined with other funding sources to help communities deliver critical water infrastructure projects at a lower cost; and

WHEREAS, a WIFIA loan is part of the Windsor Water District's financial strategy to partially fund these two projects; and

WHEREAS, staff have prepared a WIFIA Program Application for a WIFIA loan on behalf of the Windsor Water District for $76,315,000, no more than 49% of the eligible project cost; and

WHEREAS, a 2025 Comprehensive Water and Wastewater Rate Study Report has been prepared to document the Windsor Water District will be in satisfactory financial standing to make payments to the WIFIA loan; and

WHEREAS, a WIFIA loan application submittal in no way obligates the acceptance of funds and the Windsor Water District Board may determine at any time to withdraw the application or reduce the amount of funding requested, should the Windsor Water District Board determine it necessary to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Windsor Water District Board authorizes the Town Manager or his designee to submit an application to the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act for credit assistance to fund Windsor Water Reclamation Facility Modernization.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of March 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:	**BOARDMEMBERS LEEP, SALMON, WALL, VICE PRESIDENT POTTER AND PRESIDENT REYNOZA**
NOES:	**NONE**
ABSTAIN:	**NONE**
ABSENT:	**NONE**

ROSA REYNOZA, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

IRENE CAMACHO-WERBY, SECRETARY