

## CITY OF RIVERSIDE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City Council of the City of Riverside, in the Art Pick Council Chamber, City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, California, on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at 1 p.m., regarding the following item:

**CASE NUMBER:** P15-0824

**APPLICANT:** City of Riverside

**LOCATION:** Citywide

**PROPOSAL:** Planning Commission recommends amendment of Zoning Code (Title 19 of the Riverside Municipal Code) Chapter 19.570 - Water Efficient Landscaping and Irrigation to comply with Governor Brown's Executive Order of April 1, 2015 (EO B-29-15) by adopting an ordinance that is at least as effective in conserving water as the State's Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance approved by the California Water Commission on July 15, 2015. The proposed amendment would make the requirements of Chapter 19.570 applicable to new development projects that include landscape areas of 500 square feet or more, reducing existing landscape thresholds of 2,500 and 5,000 square feet. Proposed amendment also includes: (1) requirements for more efficient irrigation systems; (2) incentives for graywater use; (3) improvements in onsite stormwater capture; (4) limiting the portion of landscape that can be planted with high water use plants; (5) reporting requirements; and (6) a prescriptive checklist option for landscapes under 2,500 square feet.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The Planning Commission recommends finding that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Sections 15307 and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines as the proposed project consists of Actions by Regulatory Agencies for the Protection of Natural Resources and Actions by Regulatory Agencies for the Protection of the Environment; and exempt per Section 15061 (B)(3), as it can be seen with certainty that the code amendment does not have the potential to cause significant effect on the environment (General Rule).


Mail written statements to City Clerk, City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92522.

If you challenge the above proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Riverside at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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