

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE,
3 CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CITYWIDE DESIGN AND SIGN
4 GUIDELINES TO INCLUDE WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE DESIGN
5 GUIDELINES.

6 WHEREAS, in November 2007, the City Council adopted Citywide Design and Sign
7 Guidelines (“Citywide Guidelines”); and

8 WHEREAS the Citywide Guidelines are used to review the design of proposed
9 development in the City; and

10 WHEREAS, the Citywide Guidelines reinforce the City’s physical image, promote
11 development that enhances neighborhoods, created identity, and improves quality of life; and

12 WHEREAS, on April 1, 2015, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-29-15 (EO B-
13 29-15), which mandated water conservation efforts and included a requirement for local
14 jurisdictions to comply with the State’s updated Mode Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
15 (MWELo), or adopt their own Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (WELo) that is at least as
16 effective in conserving water as the MWELo; and

17 WHEREAS, on December 1, 2015, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 7310, which
18 updated Zoning Code Chapter 19.570 – Water Efficient Landscaping an Irrigation (WELo), to
19 comply with the State’s stricter water efficiency standards; and

20 WHEREAS, in early 2016, the Community & Economic Development Department, in
21 partnership with the Riverside Public Utilities (RPU), retained the services of Architerra Design
22 Group to develop WELo Design Guidelines that set clear design expectations, integrate best
23 practices in landscape design, and make the City’s adopted WELo customer friendly; and

24 WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the Citywide Guidelines are a guide for developers
25 and professionals to achieve well designed landscapes that successfully reduces water usage,
26 increases water efficiency, and promotes conservation; and

27 WHEREAS, the updated Citywide Guidelines are included as Appendix C of the
28 Citywide Guidelines.

1 WHEREAS, on September 20, 2018, the City Planning Commission recommended the
2 approval of Planning Case P18-0608 (Citywide Design and Sign Guidelines Amendment).

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside as
4 follows:

5 Section 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.

6 Section 2. The Citywide Design and Sign Guidelines are amended to add Appendix C:
7 Water Efficient Landscaping and Irrigation Design Guidelines attached hereto as Exhibit "A"
8 and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted as amended.

9 Section 3. The Citywide Design and Sign Guidelines amending the existing landscape
10 provisions to incorporate water efficiency and other minor revisions in the Citywide Guidelines
11 are attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby adopted as
12 amended.

13 ADOPTED by the City Council and signed by the Mayor this _____ day of
14 _____, 20_____.

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Mayor of the City of Riverside

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18 Attest:

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21 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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1 I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
2 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced and adopted at a meeting of the City
3 Council of said City at its meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 20____, by
4 the following vote, to wit:

5 Ayes:

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8 Noes:

9 Absent:

10 Abstain:

11 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the
12 City of Riverside, California, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

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16 City Clerk of the City of Riverside
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