

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TABLE 6.14.040A AND CHAPTER 14.22 OF THE RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING WATER CONSERVATION

The City Council of the City of Riverside does ordain as follows:

Section 1: Table 6.14.040A of the Riverside Municipal Code entitled “Landscape Maintenance/Water Shortage Contingency Stage Enforcement” is hereby amended as shown in Exhibit “A,” attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Section 2: Section 14.22.020(B) of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**“Section 14.22.020 Water Conservation Program.**

A. This chapter establishes a Water Conservation Program which uses five stages to address conditions and needs. The Water Conservation Stage shall be set by City Council action. All normal water efficiency programs and water conservation regulations shall remain in force during any stage, unless the City Council directs otherwise.

B. Stage One represents normal conditions; Stages Two, Three, ~~and~~ Four, and Five represent potential and actual shortages. Stages Two, Three, ~~and~~ Four, and Five may be triggered by a local or regional water supply shortage; production, treatment, transmission, or delivery infrastructure problems; limited or unavailable alternative water supplies ~~are~~; or other circumstances.

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D. Stages Two, Three, ~~and~~ Four, and Five conservation measures are mandatory, and violations may be subject to criminal, civil, and administrative enforcement.”

Section 3: Section 14.22.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**“Section 14.22.030 Stage One – Normal water supply.**

A. Stage One applies when the City can meet all of its water demands, but declares, by resolution, that it has determined that certain conservation methods are warranted to preserve existing water supply in the event that the City will be unable to meet future water demands with its local water supplies.

1 B. Upon declaration of Stage One by the City Council, the following water conservation  
2 measures shall apply:

3 1. Non-agricultural irrigation should be done from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. ~~Pop-up~~  
4 ~~spray type sprinklers are limited to 15 minute total run time. Impact and rotor sprinklers are limited~~  
5 ~~to 30 minutes total run time.~~ Irrigation water cannot leave the landscaped area. ~~Landscaped area of~~  
6 ~~properties that are irrigated by drip irrigation or microspray irrigation shall be exempt from these~~  
7 ~~irrigation restrictions.~~

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9 Section 4: Section 14.22.040 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
10 follows:

11 **“Section 14.22.040 Stage Two – Minimum water shortage.**

12 A. Stage Two applies when the City Council declares, by resolution, a reasonable probability exists  
13 that the City will not be able to meet all of its water demands with its local water supplies, other  
14 regional or statewide conditions warrant implementation, or the State of California orders  
15 implementation; or RPU faces an actual supply shortage of up to 15%, corresponding to  
16 California Water Code Section 10632 shortage levels 1 and 2.

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18 3. Non-agricultural irrigation is limited as follows:

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20 b. Properties may not be irrigated more than ~~four~~three times per week.

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22 ~~e. Landscaped area of properties that are irrigated by drip irrigation or microspray~~  
23 ~~irrigation shall be exempt from these irrigation restrictions.~~

24 4. All plumbing leaks, improperly adjusted sprinklers, or other water appurtenances  
25 requiring repair or adjustment shall be corrected to the satisfaction of the City within 72 hours of  
26 notification by the City. The City will attempt to contact customers by phone, mail, email or text,  
27 or printed "door-hanger" notice. All customers shall ensure that the City has current telephone  
28 contact information.

1           Section 5:     Section 14.22.050 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
2 follows:

3     **“Section 14.22.050   Stage Three – Moderate water shortage.**

4     A.   Stage Three applies when the City Council declares, by resolution, a reasonable probability  
5 exists that the City will not be able to meet all of its water demands with its local water supplies,  
6 other regional or statewide conditions warrant implementation, or the State of California orders  
7 implementation; or RPU faces an actual supply shortage of 15 - 20%, corresponding to  
8 California Water Code Section 10632 shortage levels 2 and 3.

9     B.   Upon declaration of Stage Three by the City Council, the following measures shall apply:

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11           3.   Non-agricultural irrigation is limited as follows:

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13               ~~e.   Landscaped area of properties that are irrigated by drip irrigation or microspray~~  
14 ~~irrigation shall be exempt from these irrigation restrictions.~~

15               ~~d.   Pop-up spray type sprinklers shall be limited to a maximum 15 minute total run-~~  
16 ~~time on the allowed days of irrigation. Impact and rotor sprinklers shall be limited to a maximum 30~~  
17 ~~minute total run time on the allowed days of irrigation. All automatic irrigation timers shall be~~  
18 ~~adjusted according to changing weather patterns and to completely eliminate run-off.~~

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20           Section 6:     Section 14.22.060 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
21 follows:

22     **“Section 14.22.060   Stage Four – Severe water shortage.**

23     A.   Stage Four applies when the City Council declares, by resolution, that the City's ability to meet  
24 its water demands with its local water supplies is seriously impaired; or RPU faces an actual  
25 supply shortage of 20 - 50% corresponding to California Water Code Section 10632 shortage  
26 levels 3, 4 and 5.

27     B.   Upon declaration of Stage Four by the City Council, the following water conservation measures  
28 shall apply:

1           1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all Stage One, Two, and Three conservation  
2 measures shall be in full force and effect during Stage Four, and Stage One measures shall be  
3 mandatory, not voluntary.

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7           Section 7:     Section 14.22.070 of the Riverside Municipal Code is hereby amended as  
8 follows:

9           **"Section 14.22.070 Stage Five - Water shortage emergency.**

10          ~~A. If the City Council has declared either Stage Three or Stage Four conservation, it may also, by~~  
11 ~~resolution, declare a Water Shortage Emergency. A Water Shortage Emergency may be an~~  
12 ~~immediate emergency, or a threatened future water shortage, or both; and~~ **Stage Five applies when**  
13 **the City Council declares, by resolution, that the City's ability to meet its water demands with**  
14 **its local water supplies is so seriously impaired that RPU faces an actual supply shortage of over**  
15 **50%, corresponding to California Water Code Section 10632 shortage level 6; and"**

16          Section 8:     The City Council has reviewed the matter and, based upon the facts and  
17 information contained in the staff reports, administrative record, and written and oral testimony,  
18 hereby finds that this Ordinance is not subject to CEQA pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3)  
19 and/or 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter  
20 3, in that it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the  
21 environment nor have a significant impact on the environment.

22          Section 9:     The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause  
23 publication once in a newspaper of general circulation in accordance with Section 414 of the Charter  
24 of the City of Riverside. This ordinance shall become effective on the 30th day after the date of its  
25 adoption.

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1 ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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Mayor of the City of Riverside

Attest:

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City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced and adopted at a meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by the following vote, to wit:

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Ayes:

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Noes:

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Absent:

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Abstain:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Riverside, California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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