

WEST VALLEY CITY

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING WEST VALLEY CITY'S WATER CONSERVATION HISTORICAL SUCCESS, CURRENT PLAN AND FUTURE EFFORT.

WHEREAS, the City has proactively made measurable water conservation a priority for two decades; and

WHEREAS, the City has enjoyed strong partnerships with the water purveyors in the City including Granger Hunter, Jordan Valley, Kearns, Taylorsville Bennion and Magna water and has worked with each of these partners to ensure full compliance with each suggestion and recommendation of these water purveyors specifically the nine requirements set forth below, and

WHEREAS, the City's proactive conservation efforts, including early adoption of metering, proactive adoption of smart watering practices at City owned properties and rules, regulations and ordinances steadfastly followed by City residents and businesses, the City uses twelve percent less water overall when compared to other users in the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy district; and

WHEREAS, in addition to historical success, the City recognizes the need to continue conservation and has therefore worked closely with the water purveyors to implement all nine of the best practices recommended as well as putting into place a water conservation officer and reviewing the City's ordinances for potential changes that will encourage additional water conservation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of West Valley City as follows:

Section 1. The City Council of the City hereby declares that water conservation is essential to the continued success, livability and health of the City, and

Section 2. The City Council hereby affirms compliance with all recommendations of Jordan Valley Water Conservancy and other water purveyors as follows and as demonstrated by corresponding ordinances, rules and regulations previously adopted by the City:

“All new and future construction and future additions, remodels, or refurbishments install plumbing fixtures that have the WaterSense label, including: lavatory faucets, shower heads, sink faucets, water closets (tank and flushometer-valve toilets), and urinals, to the extent Utah law allows municipalities or local districts to require these fixtures.”

“All irrigation shall be appropriate for the designated plant material to achieve the highest water efficiency. Drip irrigation or bubblers shall be used except in Lawn areas. Drip

irrigation systems shall be equipped with a pressure regulator, filter, flush-end assembly, and any other appropriate components.”

“Each irrigation valve shall irrigate landscaping with similar site, slope and soil conditions, and plant materials with similar watering needs. Lawn and Planting Beds shall be irrigated on separate irrigation valves. In addition, drip emitters and sprinklers shall be placed on separate irrigation valves.”

“Landscaped areas shall be provided with a WaterSense labeled smart irrigation controller which automatically adjusts the frequency and/or duration of irrigation events in response to changing weather conditions. All controllers shall be equipped with automatic rain delay or rain shut-off capabilities.”

“At least 3-4 inches of Mulch, permeable to air and water, shall be used in Planting Beds to control weeds and improve the appearance of the landscaping.”

“At maturity, landscapes are recommended to have enough plant material (perennials and shrubs) to create at least 50% living plant cover at maturity at the ground plane, not including tree canopies.”

“Lawn shall not be installed in Park Strips, Paths, or on slopes greater than 25% or 4:1 grade, and be less than 8 feet wide at its narrowest point. To the extent reasonably practicable, Lawn shall be free from obstructions.”

“As negotiated pursuant to Development Agreement, in residential landscapes, the landscaping shall adhere to localscapes requirements and commercial, industrial, institutional, and multi-family development common area landscapes, Lawn areas shall not exceed 20% of the Total Landscaped Area, outside of Active Recreation Areas.”

PASSED, APPROVED, and MADE EFFECTIVE this _____ day of _____, 2022.

WEST VALLEY CITY

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY RECORDER