

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
APPROVING THE DECLARATION OF A STAGE 1 VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION—
WATER WATCH CONSERVATION LEVEL IMPOSING CERTAIN VOLUNTARY WATER
CONSERVATION MEASURES PURSUANT TO SECTION 14.40.041 OF THE GARDEN
GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the City of Garden Grove has adopted a Water Conservation Program, which is set forth in Chapter 14.40 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code, in order to facilitate the protection, conservation, and management of local and imported water supplies; to promote efficient water use and reduce water waste; and to prevent a potable water shortage emergency in the City's water supplies;

WHEREAS, the City's Water Conservation Program includes certain permanent water conservation requirements with which all persons, customers, and property served by City water services must comply at all times, and provides for the application of more restrictive water conservation measures through implementation of four separate water conservation stages when needed in order for the City to prudently plan for and supply water to its customers;

WHEREAS, in March 2015, the State Water Resources Control Board announced extended and expanded emergency conservation regulations;

WHEREAS, the emergency conservation regulations impose requirements on urban water suppliers such as the City to implement all requirements and actions of the stage of its water conservation ordinance that includes mandatory restrictions on the number of days that outdoor irrigation is allowed;

WHEREAS, in April 2015, the State implemented mandatory water reductions in cities and towns across California to reduce water usage by 25 percent, mandating the City to reduce water usage by 20 percent;

WHEREAS, in May 2015, the City implemented a Stage 2 Water Alert under the Water Conservation Program to comply with the State's regulations;

WHEREAS, in May 2016, the State eliminated the 20 percent water reduction mandate and allowed water agencies to establish their own water reduction target;

WHEREAS, City staff and the local water districts performed an analysis on water demand and available supplies to determine the appropriate level of water conservation should the drought continue for three more years;

WHEREAS, the analysis determined that water projections fully meet the City's water supply requests for the three-year period, thus the City has established a water reduction target of 0 percent;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 14.40.030, 14.40.031, and 14.40.041 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code, the City Manager, in consultation with the Public Works Director, has determined that water projections fully meet the City's water supply requests for the next three years;

WHEREAS, in response to the elimination of the State water reduction mandate and an adequate water supply, the City Manager has recommended that the City Council approve the declaration of a Stage 1 Voluntary Conservation—Water Watch conservation level, pursuant to which the water conservation measures set forth in Section 14.40.041 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code shall apply to all persons, customers, and property served by City water services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct and hereby incorporated herein by reference.
2. The City Council hereby determines that this Resolution is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"; Cal. Pub. Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15307 of the State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code of Regs., Title 14, Section 15000 et seq.).
3. The City Council hereby approves the declaration of a Stage 1 Voluntary Conservation—Water Watch conservation level pursuant to Chapter 14.40 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code and directs the City Manager to implement the voluntary water conservation measures set forth in Section 14.40.041 of the Garden Grove Municipal Code.