

CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW  
RESOLUTION NO.  
SERIES 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW  
DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A STAGE 2 WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY CONDITION  
AND DIRECTING IMPLEMENTATION OF STAGE 2 WATER DEMAND REDUCTION MEASURES

WHEREAS, in California, water is a precious and limited resource that must be used wisely;  
and

WHEREAS, California is entering a third year of intensifying drought; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2021, Valley Water declared a water shortage emergency, requesting that retail water suppliers reduce water use by 15% compared to 2019 levels and limit irrigation to three days per week; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2021, the County of Santa Clara Director of Emergency Services issued a proclamation of local emergency due to extreme drought; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2021, the County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors ratified the Director of Emergency Services' proclamation of a local emergency due to extreme drought; and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a drought state of emergency in the County of Santa Clara and requested that all Californians voluntarily conserve water use by 15%, compared to 2020 levels; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2021, the City of Mountain View declared a Stage 1 water shortage emergency condition; and

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2021, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission declared a Level 1 water shortage emergency condition and implemented a 10% systemwide voluntary conservation request; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 directing the State Water Resources Control Board to consider adopting an emergency regulation that bans the irrigation of nonfunctional turf at commercial, industrial, and institutional sites and requires urban water suppliers to implement demand reduction measures from Level 2 of their Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2022, Valley Water voted to limit irrigation of lawns and ornamental landscapes to two days per week; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted regulations banning the use of potable water for irrigating nonfunctional turf at commercial, industrial, and institutional sites and requiring urban water suppliers to implement the demand reduction measures from Level 2 of their Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission declared a Level 2 water shortage emergency condition and implemented an 11% systemwide voluntary conservation request; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View receives approximately 84% of its total water supply from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, 10% from Valley Water, 4% from the Regional Water Quality Control Plant in Palo Alto, and 2% from local groundwater wells; and

WHEREAS, the long-term health, safety, and prosperity of the community depend upon having a reliable supply of potable water; and

WHEREAS, water conservation is the easiest, most efficient, and most cost-effective way to quickly reduce water demand and preserve supplies for next year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code Section 350, *et seq.*, the City duly published a Notice of Public Hearing on the proposed Stage 2 declaration; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 28, 2022, at which time public comment was heard and considered; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code Section 350, *et seq.*, and Section 375, *et seq.*, and Chapter 35, Article II, Division 3 of the City Code, the City Council is authorized to prohibit nonessential use of potable water upon declaration of a water shortage emergency condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Mountain View hereby finds, determines, and declares that the ordinary demands and requirements of water consumers cannot be satisfied without depleting the water supply of the City of Mountain View to the extent that continued water supply cannot be assured and a Stage 2 water shortage emergency condition exists and directs the City Manager to implement water demand reduction measures consistent with a Stage 2 water shortage to conserve water.

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