

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-9249**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA,  
CALIFORNIA, RESCINDING STAGE 2 OF THE CITY'S WATER  
SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN WHILE CONTINUING TO  
IMPLEMENT SWRCB WATER USE RESTRICTIONS**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:**

**WHEREAS**, on May 9, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution 23-9226 Terminating the Proclamation of Emergency Drought Conditions, continuing implementation of Stage 2 of the City's Water Shortage Contingency Plan ("WSCP"), and establishing a 15% voluntary water use reduction in alignment with the Valley Water Board recommendation;

**WHEREAS**, the State Water Resources Control Board ("SWRCB") requirement for urban water suppliers to implement demand-reduction actions that correspond to at least Stage 2 of their WSCPs expired on June 5, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the City continues to support and promote water conservation as a way of life, and intends to continue to follow SWRCB water conservation regulations.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That Stage 2 of the City's Water Shortage Contingency Plan is hereby rescinded, removing the water use regulations set forth in Resolution 22-9077.

2. That the City hereby implements the following additional water saving measures, effective until December 21, 2023, in alignment with SWRCB regulations prohibiting certain wasteful water practices:

A. Water Used for Construction and Dust Control shall be Recycled Water when that Water is Available.

B. The use of potable water for street cleaning or construction site preparation is prohibited.

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3. That the City recognizes that the following activities are prohibited under SWRCB regulations until December 21, 2023, and acknowledges that all of the following activities are also prohibited under the City's WSCP, and will continue to be prohibited after December 21, 2023, as set forth in Section 8.4 of the City's 2020 UWMP:

- A. outdoor watering that lets water run onto sidewalks and other areas;
- B. washing vehicles without an automatic shutoff nozzle;
- C. washing hard surfaces like driveways or sidewalks that don't absorb water;
- D. filling decorative fountains, lakes or ponds without a recirculation pump;
- E. outdoor watering within 48 hours after at least ¼ inch of rainfall; and
- F. watering decorative grass on public medians.

4. That the City also restricts watering decorative grass in commercial, industrial, and institutional areas, including common areas of homeowners' associations (HOAs), per SWRCB emergency regulation effective June 5, 2023 to June 5, 2024,

5. That the prohibitions listed above are in addition to the permanent prohibitions already codified in Section 1C of the City's Water Service and Use Rules and Regulations.


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6. That the City reaffirms its commitment to support long-term water use efficiency efforts by continuing a 15% voluntary water use reduction target for all users, in alignment with the policies of Valley Water.

7. Effective date. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF HELD ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2023, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	COUNCILORS:	Becker, Chahal, Hardy, Jain, Park, and Watanabe, and Mayor Gillmor
NOES:	COUNCILORS:	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILORS:	None
ABSTAINED:	COUNCILORS:	None

ATTEST:   
NORA PIMENTEL, MMC  
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK  
CITY OF SANTA CLARA

Attachments Incorporated by Reference: None