#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2015

**PRESENTATIONS** 





# State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance Revisions

October 13, 2015

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# **Background**

1992

2009

2015

DWR adopts MWELO DWR Updates
 MWELO

ExecutiveOrder B-29-15

City adopts model ordinance

- City adopts Bay-Friendly Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
- DWR revises MWELO

CSC review on September10th



#### **Critical Dates**



November 1, 2015 – Adopt City Ordinance (or State Ordinance will go into effect)



December 1, 2015 – Effective date



December 31, 2015 – Report to DWR



January 31st – Annual Report to DWR



## **Key Revisions**

- Landscape area applicability thresholds reduced
- Dedicated irrigation meter requirements
- Limits potable irrigation water usage
- Landscape and irrigation design restrictions
- Professional submittal requirements
- Agency reporting requirements
- Prescriptive checklist allowance
- Incentives for recycled, gray and rain water use



# Landscape Area Applicability Thresholds

# Current

 2,500 sq. ft landscape area

Exempt SFR

# New

• 500 sq. ft landscape area

 No exemption for SFR



# **Reduced Irrigation Water Allowance**

21% less for single-family residential

 36% less for multi-family residential, commercial and industrial

No turf planting in street medians



# **Dedicated Irrigation Water Meter**

Current

All non-residential developments with landscapes ≥ 5,000 sq. feet

Exemption for single-family residential

New

All non-residential developments with landscapes ≥ 1,000 sq. feet

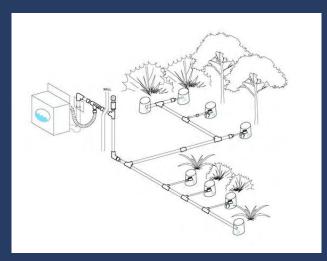
All residential developments with landscapes ≥ 5,000 sq. feet



#### **Incentives for use of Graywater and Rainwater**

Allows higher water use plants

Simplified requirements



Laundry-to-Landscape Graywater



Rainwater Harvesting (approximately 250 and 50-gallon barrels)



#### **Rainwater and Runoff Catchment**

Permeable paving



**Bio-retention** 

Rainwater garden

Friable soil



# **City Ordinance Enhancements**

- Landfill diversion
- Plant Requirement
- Graywater requirement
- Rainwater Catchment requirement







## **Next Steps**

#### October 27, 2015 City Council Meeting

- Adoption of Bay-Friendly Water Efficient Landscape
  Ordinance
- Effective November 27, 2015

#### **December 31, 2015**

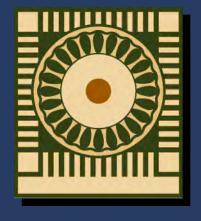
City reports to DWR

#### **January 31, 2017**

First annual report











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