

RESOLUTION NO. _____ -14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE IMPLEMENTING STAGE 1 WATER USE PROHIBITION OUTLINED IN THE WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, Governor Brown proclaimed a drought state of emergency, calling on local urban water suppliers and municipalities to implement their local water shortage contingency plans immediately and calling on all Californians to reduce their water usage by 20 percent; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2014, Governor Brown issued an executive order to strengthen the state’s ability to manage water and habitat effectively in drought conditions and called on Californians to redouble their efforts to conserve water; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, the City Council of Sunnyvale adopted Resolution No. 653-14, which declared a water shortage emergency and called for a water reduction target of 15%; and

WHEREAS, Sunnyvale residents and businesses continue to respond well to the request to save water and, for the last five months since the governor declared an emergency, water use in Sunnyvale was down on average 14.4% as compared to the same period in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sunnyvale’s (“City”) 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (“UWMP”) was approved in June 2011, and includes a Water Shortage Contingency Plan (“WSCP”) that sets forth four water conservation stages, attached hereto as Exhibit A, designed to reduce overall water shortage usage; and

WHEREAS, each stage includes specific water conservation actions and use restrictions designed to reduce water use by successively greater amount; and

WHEREAS, Stage 1 sets forth water use reduction goal of 25% and water use prohibitions as set forth in detail in Exhibit A of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to implement Stage 1 water use prohibitions as set forth in Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE:

1. That it hereby directs the City Manager to implement Stage 1 water use reduction of 25% and water use prohibitions as described in Exhibit A are hereby adopted.

2. That City staff is directed to increase public education and outreach efforts to increase public awareness of the prohibited water uses as set forth in Exhibit A, and to explain any differences in Stage 1 water use prohibitions with City’s Municipal Code nonessential water uses in Section 12.34.020.

3. The penalties for violations are specified in Sunnyvale Municipal Code Section 12.34.040.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on _____, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
RECUSAL:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk
(SEAL)

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Water Shortage Contingency Plan – Mandatory Prohibitions

Stage No. Water Shortage Reduction Usage:	Prohibition
Stage 1 25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flooding or runoff on sidewalks, streets or gutters • Cleaning sidewalks, driveways, buildings, patios, parking lots or other paved/hard surfaced areas • Using a hose without a positive automatic self-closing valve for washing cars, buses, boats, or trailers • Use of decorative fountains* • Water waste due to broken/defective plumbing, sprinkler, watering or irrigation systems • Restaurant water service unless requested • Landscape irrigation during daylight hours • Hydrant flushing (unless for public health or safety)
Stage 2 35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All of the above • New installations of plants, shrubs, trees, lawns other growing things • Landscape for mounds, hardscape okay but cannot include living plant materials • New swimming pool or pond construction • Filling or refilling swimming pools (can replace water loss due to evaporation) • Outdoor watering December through March.
Stage 3 45%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All of the above • Watering turf, grass or dichondra lawns (can provide minimal water for sports playing fields) • Golf courses except for tees and greens
Stage 4 50% or greater	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All of the above • Landscape irrigation with potable water of any City-owned premises or businesses where recycled water is available for connection. • Utilization of potable water for any City operation where recycled water could be used.

*Except where the water is part of a recirculating system as authorized by Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 864(a)(4).