

ORDINANCE NO. 6101

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA REPEALING CHAPTER 22.80 AND AMENDING SECTIONS 14.23.005, 28.80.150, AND 30.185.440 OF THE SANTA BARBARA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE STANDARDS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 22.80 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 14.23.00 Chapter 14.23, which chapter shall be titled Water Efficient Landscaping and Recycled Water Use, of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

14.23.005 Water Efficient Landscape Standards.

A. The California State Legislature has found that the limited supply of state waters are subject to ever increasing demands; that California's economic prosperity depends on adequate supplies of water; that state policy promotes conservation and efficient use of water; that landscapes provide recreation areas, clean the air and water, prevent erosion, offer fire protection, and replace ecosystems displaced by development; and that landscape design, installation, and maintenance can and should be water efficient. Consistent with the legislative findings, the purpose of this section is to promote the values and benefits of landscapes while recognizing the need to use water and other resources as efficiently as possible; to establish a structure for designing, installing, and maintaining water efficient landscapes, and to establish provisions for water management practices and water waste prevention.

B. A landscape plan that complies with the City's Water Efficient Landscape Standards, as adopted by resolution of the City Council, must be submitted by the project applicant and approved by the City before commencement of construction of a development or redevelopment project that requires a landscape plan under any provision of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code other than this section, or when a building permit or design review approval is required for the following projects:

- (1) Construction of a new building that exceeds 500 square feet;
- (2) Substantial redevelopment of a building, as described in Section 30.140.200 of this Code, that exceeds 500 square feet;
- (3) Addition of more than 500 square feet of floor area to an existing building;
- (4) Projects where a landscape plan is required by any City design review or land use review body, including but not limited to, the Architectural Board of Review, Historic Landmarks Commission, Single Family Design Board, Staff Hearing Officer, or the Planning Commission.

C. Compliance with subdivision B of this section is required as a condition of City water service to a parcel. The City will not provide water service or provide evidence of

a ability or commitment to provide water service for a parcel located outside of the City's jurisdictional limits unless the owner of the parcel agrees submits an agreement to comply with the requirements of this section in a form satisfactory to the Public Works Director.

SECTION 3. Section 28.80.150 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

28.80.150 Landscaping.

A complete landscaping and irrigation plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Community Development Department prior to the issuance of building permits for a two-unit residential development. All landscape plans shall comply with the following:

- A. Water conservation standards for landscaping in Section 14.23.005 of this Code.
- B. Defensible space requirements pursuant to Section 4907 of the International Fire Code and California Fire Code as amended by Section 8.04.020 R. of this Code, when required in the High Fire Hazard Area.
- C. The limitations for vegetation removal in the Hillside Design District, pursuant to Chapter 22.10 of this Code.

SECTION 4. Subdivision O of Section 30.185.440 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

30.185.440 Two-Unit Residential Development.

O. Landscape Plans. A complete landscaping and irrigation plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Community Development Department prior to the issuance of building permits for a two-unit residential development. All landscape plans shall comply with the following:

- 1. City's water conservation standards in adopted under Section 14.23.005 of this Code.
- 2. Defensible space requirements pursuant to Section 4907 of the International Fire Code and California Fire Code as amended by Section 8.04.020 R. of this Code, when required in the High Fire Hazard Area.
- 3. The limitations for vegetation removal in the Hillside Design District, pursuant to Chapter 22.10 of this Code.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA) ss.
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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was introduced on January 31, 2023, and adopted by the Council of the City of Santa Barbara at a meeting held on February 7, 2023 by the following roll call vote:

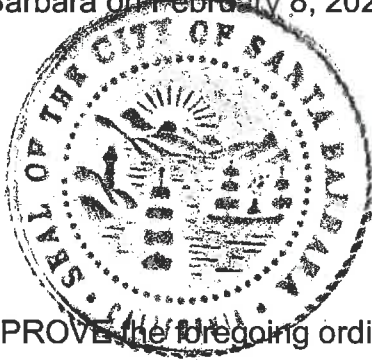
- AYES: Councilmembers Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Randy Rowse

- NOES: None

- ABSENT: None

- ABSTENTIONS: None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Santa Barbara on February 8, 2023.



Sarah Gorman for

Sarah Gorman, MMC
City Clerk Services Manager

I HEREBY APPROVE the foregoing ordinance on February 8, 2023.

Randy Rowse

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Mayor