

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-42

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL MAR, CALIFORNIA, MODIFYING THE DROUGHT RESPONSE LEVEL TO STAGE 1 - DROUGHT WATCH AND ENCOURAGING CONTINUED VOLUNTARY ADHERENCE WITH STAGE 2 WATER RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, water supply conditions have been challenged statewide for several years; and

WHEREAS, Governor Brown declared a statewide drought emergency on January 17, 2014; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2014, Governor Brown signed a drought relief package, SB 104, which expanded the State Water Resources Control Board's (herein "State Water Board") authority to adopt emergency regulations in certain drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2014, the State Water Board adopted emergency conservation regulations implementing water restrictions for all Californians and mandating that all urban suppliers implement their Water Shortage Plans at a level that triggers mandatory restrictions on outdoor water use; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2014, the Del Mar City Council declared a Stage 2 "Drought Watch" condition for the City of Del Mar; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2015, the State Water Board amended and readopted the emergency regulation to support water conservation (Resolution No. 2015-0013); and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2015, Governor Brown issued a new Executive Order, B-29-15, that directed the State Water Board to impose restrictions on urban water suppliers to achieve a statewide 25 percent reduction in potable urban usage through February 2016; required commercial, industrial, and institutional users to implement water efficiency measures; prohibited irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf in public street medians; and prohibited irrigation with potable water outside newly constructed homes and buildings that is not delivered by drip or microspray systems, along with other directives; and

WHEREAS, Del Mar Municipal Code Chapter 21.70 (Emergency Water Management) establishes an emergency water management program in order to conserve water supplies, minimize the effects of water supply shortages, and allows the City to respond to water emergency conditions; and

WHEREAS, Del Mar water customers must continue to comply with Del

Mar Municipal Code Chapter 21.60 (Water Conservation Program) which establishes the policy that all public and private users of water within the City shall use water for reasonable purposes and in a reasonable and conscientious effort to conserve water; and

WHEREAS, in May 2016, the State Water Board replaced state-mandated conservation targets with a supply-based approach that considers each agency's specific situation and water supplies; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has certified the San Diego County Water Authority's supply of potable water from the Carlsbad desalination plant as drought-resilient, reducing the regional impacts of the state's emergency water-use mandates; and

WHEREAS, at their March 24, 2016 meeting, the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) lifted the regional Level 2 Drought Response. Currently, there is no regional drought response mandate and it is up to individual water retailers to determine their drought response level; and

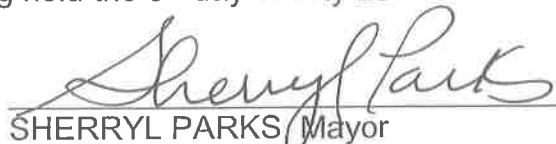
WHEREAS, the drought continues in Southern California and it will take at least three years of above average precipitation to replenish water diminished water storage; and

WHEREAS, based on data from the Equinox Center, Del Mar residents and businesses reduced water use by 29% in 2015 compared to 2014 but per capita water use is still among the highest in the region and 54% above the county average.


NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL MAR DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The City of Del Mar declares Drought Response Stage 1 to be in effect, but urges citizens and businesses to continue voluntary efforts to conserve water by following measures adopted during the Stage 2 response in 2015-2016.
3. Continues the mandatory water use prohibitions established as part of the Governor's Executive Order and May 2015 emergency regulations and reinstated as part of the May 2018 emergency regulation.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Del Mar, California, at a Regular Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2016.

  
SHERRYL PARKS Mayor  
City of Del Mar

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
LESLIE E. DEVANEY, City Attorney  
City of Del Mar

ATTEST AND CERTIFICATION:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
CITY OF DEL MAR

I, Ashley Jones, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk of the City of Del Mar, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2016-42, adopted by the City Council of the City of Del Mar, California, at a Regular Meeting held the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Parks, Deputy Mayor Sinnott, Council Members Corti,  
Mosier and Worden  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

  
ASHLEY JONES  
Administrative Services Director/City Clerk  
City of Del Mar