

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: July 14, 2009

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: James R. Williams, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Introduce Ordinance No. 928, Amending Title 8, Chapter 8.50, Landscaping Installation and Maintenance, of the Municipal Code**

Recommendation:

Introduce Ordinance No. 928, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, amending Title 8, Chapter 8.50, Landscaping Installation and Maintenance, in order to modify applicability of water efficient landscaping requirements to projects greater than 2,500 square feet and bring the Municipal Code into conformity with the latest version of the updated State Model Landscape Ordinance as required by State Assembly Bill 1881 (Laird).

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

At the October 28, 2008 meeting, the City Council approved the adoption of Ordinance No. 907, an ordinance adding Chapter 8.50, Landscaping Installation and Maintenance, Title 8 Health and Safety, modifying Chapter 8.30, Residential Landscaping Installation and Maintenance, Title 8 Health and Safety, deleting Chapter 15.48, specifications for Landscape Development, Title 15 Building and Construction, modifying Chapter 17.08, Residential Zones, Chapter 17.12, Commercial Zones and Chapter 17.16, Industrial Zones, Title 17, Zoning of the Lancaster Municipal Code (Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance), by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Mann, Marquez, Sileo, Vice Mayor Smith
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Mayor Parris

Ordinance No. 907 restricted the application of high water use landscaping and imposes the necessity of water efficient irrigation systems, smart irrigation controllers, and other water conserving features on landscape projects greater than 1,000 square feet.

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Attachment:

Ordinance No. 928