

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA APPROVING A LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF TEMECULA FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF I-15/SR-79 SOUTH INTERCHANGE ENHANCED LANDSCAPING**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council finds, determines, and declares that:

A. The Interstate 15/State Route 79 South Ultimate Interchange project eliminated the landscaping along several areas, including the parcel comprised of the former southbound off ramp, slopes on either side of the former ramp, within the new loop off ramp, and a large wedge-shaped area that separates the southbound off and on ramps.

B. The Interstate 15 Branding and Visioning - I-15/SR 79 South Interchange Enhanced Landscaping project (“Enhanced Landscaping project”) will provide the landscaping in these areas. The Enhanced Landscaping project generally consists of plantings, irrigation, and hardscape patterns to evoke regional symbols, such as native basketry and/or pottery.

C. The State of California Department of Transportation (“Caltrans”) owns the subject area. The City of Temecula and Caltrans have agreed that the City can proceed with the Enhanced Landscaping project, subject to the terms of the attached Landscape Maintenance Agreement (“Agreement”).

D. Caltrans requires that the City enter into the Agreement to set forth the City’s obligations with respect to the Enhanced Landscaping project.

E. Pursuant to the Agreement, the City is responsible for maintaining the enhanced landscaping in the subject area in perpetuity.

Section 2. Approval of the Landscape Maintenance Agreement. Based on the findings set forth above and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, the City Council hereby approves the Landscape Maintenance Agreement between the State of California Department of Transportation and the City of Temecula for the Maintenance of I-15/SR-79 South Interchange Enhanced Landscaping, and authorizes the City Manager to execute said Agreement.

Section 3. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this Resolution.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Temecula  
this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

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James Stewart, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Randi Johl, City Clerk

[SEAL]

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE    ) ss  
CITY OF TEMECULA         )

I, Randi Johl, City Clerk of the City of Temecula, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2024-     was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Temecula at a meeting thereof held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:                    COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NOES:                    COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN:                COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT:                 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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Randi Johl, City Clerk