

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA TO CONDUCT ADDITIONAL PROACTIVE FIRE PREVENTION AND HAZARDOUS FUEL REDUCTION ON SITES IDENTIFIED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION/RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT CONSISTENT WITH MULTIPLE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND EMERGENCY PROCLAMATIONS

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

Section 1. The Governor has issued multiple executive orders and emergency proclamations related to the reduction of hazardous fuels and expediting said projects within the State of California.

Section 2. The California Department of Forestry, State Fire Marshall issued updated Fire Hazard Severity Zones maps on March 24, 2025.

Section 3. The City Council of the City of Temecula adopted Ordinance No. 2025-08, adopting the updated Fire Hazard Severity Zone maps.

Section 4. The updated Fire Hazard Severity Zone maps show a material increase in the number of areas within and around the City that are located within a Fire Hazard Severity Zone.

Section 5. The City, along with the California Department of Forestry/Riverside County Fire Department, as well as other partner agencies have previously taken proactive hazard reduction measures that have successfully supported fire suppression efforts and preserved life, property, and safety to residents, visitors, and businesses.

Section 6. Even with proactive hazard reductions measures, the City has experienced multiple fire incidents in and around the City that have had the potential to cause loss of life, property, and safety to residents, visitors, and businesses.

Section 7. The City, in accordance with the Governor's executive orders and emergency proclamations, is looking to expedite the removal of additional hazardous fuels on City-owned parcels throughout the community for the purposes of preserving life, properties, businesses, evacuation routes, emergency response routes, and economic security.

Section 8. The City, in cooperation with California Department of Forestry/Riverside County Fire Department, has identified City-owned parcels (Exhibit "A") that require the removal of hazardous fuels (weeds and vegetation) to materially preserve life, properties, businesses, evacuation routes, emergency response routes, and economic security.

Section 9. City staff, in cooperation with the California Department of Forestry/Riverside County Fire Department, is hereby directed to take all the necessary steps to implement projects to remove the hazardous fuels on the City-owned properties identified on Exhibit "A" including, but not limited to, obtaining approval from the California Natural Resource Agency and/or the California Environmental Protection Agency that the fuel reduction activities that the City seeks to undertake are eligible to be conducted under the suspension of the California Environmental Quality Act and any other applicable laws.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Temecula this 24th day of February, 2026.

Jessica Alexander, Mayor

ATTEST:

Randi Johl, City Clerk

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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. 2026- was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Temecula at a meeting thereof held on the 24th day of February, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Randi Johl, City Clerk