

**PC RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF TEMECULA RECOMMENDING THAT  
THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT “AN ORDINANCE OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMECULA  
AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE TEMECULA MUNICIPAL  
CODE MAKING TECHNICAL REVISIONS AND UPDATES  
TO THE WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE DESIGN  
ORDINANCE TO MAKE CONSISTENT WITH THE  
CITYWIDE DESIGN GUIDELINES AND MAKE A  
FINDING OF EXEMPTION UNDER CALIFORNIA  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) GUILDEINES  
SECTION 15061 (B)(3)”**

Section 1. Procedural Findings. The Planning Commission of the City of Temecula does hereby find, determine and declare that:

A. City staff identified the need to make revisions and clarifications to portions of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Temecula Municipal Code.

B. The Planning Commission, at a regular meeting, considered the proposed amendments to Title 17 (Zoning) of the Temecula Municipal Code on October 1, 2025, at a duly noticed public hearing as prescribed by law, at which time the City staff and interested persons had an opportunity to, and did testify either in support or opposition to this matter.

C. The proposed amendments to Title 17 are consistent with the City of Temecula General Plan, and each element thereof.

D. At the conclusion of the Planning Commission hearing and after due consideration of the testimony, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Council adopt the Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

E. All legal preconditions to the adoption of this Resolution have occurred.

Section 2. Further Findings. The Planning Commission of the City of Temecula does hereby find, determine and declare that:

The Planning Commission, in recommending adoption of the proposed Ordinance, hereby makes the following additional findings as required by Section 17.01.040 (“Relationship to General Plan”) of the Temecula Municipal Code:

1. The proposed use is allowed in the land use designation in which the use is located, as shown on the land use map, or is described in the text of the general plan.

The proposed Code Amendments are minor revisions, updates, and clarifications to existing standards and practices that are provided in the Citywide Design Guidelines (adopted August 9, 2005, by City Council Resolution No. 05-086). There are no proposed changes to land use as Chapter 17.32 is intended to promote high quality landscape design without changes to any land use.

2. The proposed uses are in conformance with the goals, policies, programs, and guidelines of the elements of the general plan.

The proposed changes to Title 17 conform with the goals, policies, programs, and guidelines of the elements of the General Plan. The proposed changes make minor revisions to the landscape design requirements, which is consistent with Goal 2 of the Community Design Element of the Temecula General Plan, which is to "Design excellence in site planning, architecture, landscape architecture and signs." The proposed amendments add to the landscape requirements for residential and nonresidential landscape standards which furthers Policy 2.1 of the Community Design Element of the Temecula General Plan which states, "Establish and consistently apply design standards and guidelines for both residential and non-residential development." The remaining proposed amendments to the Temecula Municipal Code are minor clarifications and adding definitions that do not result in an inconsistency between the Temecula Municipal Code and the adopted General Plan.

3. The proposed uses are to be established and maintained in a manner which is consistent with the general plan and all applicable provisions contained therein.

The proposed amendments to Title 17 of the Temecula Municipal Code do not propose any land use that is inconsistent with the Temecula General Plan. The Code Amendments are for updates to landscape design and do not create or allow new land uses.

Section 3. Environmental Compliance. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the proposed Ordinance No. 2025- is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 15061 (b) (3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the Ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment. The Code Amendments impose regulations on existing uses, but do not increase the intensity or density of any land use or allow any development where it was not otherwise permitted. The Title 17 amendments do not propose any land use that is inconsistent with the General Plan or allow new uses where they were not previously allowed. The Planning Commission, therefore, recommends that the City Council of the City of Temecula adopt a Notice of Exemption for the proposed ordinance.

Section 4. Recommendation. The City of Temecula Planning Commission hereby recommends the City Council approve Planning Application No. LR25-0099, a proposed Citywide Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Temecula Amending Title 17 of the Temecula Municipal Code Making Technical Revisions and Updates to the Water Efficient Landscape Design Ordinance to Make Consistent with the Citywide Design Guidelines and Making a Finding of Exemption under California Environmental Quality

Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3)”, in substantially the same form as set forth on Exhibit “A”, attached hereto, and incorporated herein by this reference.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City of Temecula Planning Commission this 1st day of October, 2025.

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Lanae Turley-Trejo, Chair

ATTEST:

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Matt Peters  
Secretary

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

I, Matt Peters, Secretary of the Temecula Planning Commission, do hereby certify that the forgoing PC Resolution No. 2025-     was duly and regularly adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Temecula at a regular meeting thereof held on the 1st day of October, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:                   PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

NOES:                   PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

ABSTAIN:               PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

ABSENT:                PLANNING COMMISSIONERS:

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Matt Peters  
Secretary