



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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At its meeting held October 7, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Urgency Ordinance for introduction amending the County Code, Title 11 - Health and Safety, to readopt Part 4 of Chapter 11.38 - Water Conservation Requirements for the Unincorporated County area, which establishes water conservation and waste prevention requirements with a written warning for the first violation and a fine of \$100 for each subsequent violation; and find that adoption of ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

On motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, duly carried by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Molina, Yaroslavsky, Knabe, Antonovich and Burke; Noes: None, the Board introduced, waived reading and adopted the attached Ordinance No. 2008-0052U entitled, "An urgency ordinance amending Title 11 - Health and Safety of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to water conservation requirements for the Unincorporated Los Angeles County Area." This ordinance shall take effect October 7, 2008.

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Attachment

Copies distributed:

Each Supervisor
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Acting Director of Public Works
Acting Director of Beaches and Harbors
Director of Internal Services
Director of Parks and Recreation
Director of Planning
Director of Public Health

(ALSO SEE BOARD ORDER NO. 40 THIS DATE)

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 11 – Health and Safety of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to Water and Sewers, to readopt Part 4 of Chapter 11.38 – Water Conservation Requirements for the Unincorporated Los Angeles County Area.

Pursuant to Section 2 of Ordinance No. 91-0046U, Part 4 of Chapter 11.38 – Water Conservation Requirements for the Unincorporated Los Angeles County Area, terminated on January 1, 1993. This ordinance readopts the same provisions, which were previously set forth in Part 4, except that this ordinance does not have a sunset date, revises the fine amounts, and sets forth a review mechanism.

This ordinance is an urgency measure and requires a four-fifths vote by the Board of Supervisors for adoption.

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By 

TRUC L. MOORE
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Public Works Division

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08/13/08 (Requested)

09/17/08 (Revised)

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-00052U

An urgency ordinance amending Title 11 – Health and Safety of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to water conservation requirements for the Unincorporated Los Angeles County Area.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 11.38, Part 4, is hereby readopted as amended to read as follows:

**Part 4. Water Conservation Requirements for the Unincorporated
Los Angeles County Area**

11.38.620 Hose watering prohibition.

No person shall hose water or wash down any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas or other paved surfaces, except as is required for the benefit of public health and safety. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$100.00 for the first infraction and \$500.00 each for each subsequent infractions violation.

11.38.630 Watering of lawns and landscaping.

A. No person shall water or cause to be watered any lawn or landscaping between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

B. No person shall water or cause to be watered any lawn or landscaping more than once a day.

C. No person shall water or cause to be watered any lawn or landscaping to such an extent that runoff into adjoining streets, parking lots or alleys occurs due to incorrectly directed or maintained sprinklers or excessive watering.

D. It shall be the duty of all persons to inspect all hoses, faucets and sprinkling systems for leaks, and to cause all leaks to be repaired as soon as is reasonably practicable.

E. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$100.00 for the first infraction and \$500.00 each for each subsequent infractions violation.

11.38.640 Indoor plumbing and fixtures.

A. It shall be the duty of all persons to inspect all accessible indoor plumbing and faucets for leaks, and to cause all leaks to be repaired as soon as is reasonably practicable.

B. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$500100.00 for each subsequent violation.

11.38.650 Washing vehicles.

No motor vehicle, boat, trailer, or other type of mobile equipment may be washed, except at a commercial carwash or with reclaimed water, unless such vehicle is washed by using a hand-held bucket or a water-hose equipped with an automatic shutoff nozzle. No person shall leave a water hose running while washing a vehicle or at any other time. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the

first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$100.00 for the first infraction and \$500.00 each for each subsequent infractions violation.

11.38.660 Public eating places.

No restaurant, hotel, cafeteria, café, or other public place where food is sold or served shall serve drinking water to any customer unless specifically requested to do so by such customer. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$100.00 for the first infraction and \$500.00 each for each subsequent infractions violation.

11.38.670 Decorative fountains.

No person shall use water to clean, fill, or maintain levels in decorative fountains, ponds, lakes, or other similar aesthetic structures unless such water flows through a recycling system. Willful violation hereof shall be subject to a written warning for the first violation, and shall be an infraction punishable by a fine of \$100.00 for the first infraction and \$500.00 each for each subsequent infractions violation.

11.38.680 Procedural requirements.

The Director of Public Works, with input and concurrence from the Director of Public Health, shall periodically review the provisions of this Part and recommend necessary updates to the Board of Supervisors. The review of these provisions and preparation of resulting recommendations, if any, shall be performed, at a minimum, every two years following the first review, which shall to be completed by December 31, 2010.

SECTION 2. Due to the severity of the drought in the State of California, there is an immediate need to prohibit the wasting of water in the Los Angeles County unincorporated area to better utilize the available water supplies. This ordinance is urgently needed for the preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare, and shall take effect immediately.

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