CITY OF CERRITOS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS IMPLEMENTING REVISED WATER CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, On January 17, 2014, Governor Jerry Brown declared a state of emergency in California and called for a 20 percent reduction in water use due to the ongoing drought conditions throughout the state; and Governor Brown issued an executive order on April 25 calling on California residents to refrain from wasting water; and

WHEREAS, On May 5, 2015, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted revised emergency water conservation regulations in response to Governor Brown’s executive order; and

WHEREAS, On May 18, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a statewide water conservation approach which eliminates the percentage reduction-based water conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cerritos City Council adopted an Emergency Water Conservation Ordinance in February 1991;

WHEREAS, said ordinance authorizes the City Council to declare the implementation of water conservation measures by resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to comply with the State of California Water Resources Control Board regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL DOES FIND, DETERMINE AND DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Except when necessary to address an immediate health and safety need or to comply with a term or condition in a permit issued by a state or federal agency, the following actions are prohibited:

a. The application of potable water to outdoor landscapes in a manner that causes runoff such that water flows onto adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots or structures. Water runoff is defined as water accumulation sufficient to cause a flow of water off of landscaped areas; and

b. The use of a hose that dispenses potable water to irrigate or to wash a motor vehicle, except when the hose is equipped with a shut-off nozzle; and

c. The application of potable water to driveways and sidewalks.

d. The use of potable water in a fountain or other decorative water feature, unless the water is part of a recirculating system.
Section 2. Violation of the regulations is an infraction punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars ($500) per day; and

Section 3. The regulations will remain in effect until the state mandated restrictions expire in January 2017.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 14th day of July 2016.

George Ray, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vida Barone, City Clerk