

## **Attachment 1**

### **RESOLUTION 3335**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY DELEGATING TO STAFF THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO APPROVE LONG SERVICE LATERALS WITHOUT A PROVISIONAL WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, Western Municipal Water District or Riverside County ("District") is a municipal water district established pursuant to Section 7100 et seq. of California Water Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors ("Board") previously adopted Ordinance 392 which sets forth the requirements for Developers to obtain water service under the provisions of the rules and regulations for governing water service and water users; and

WHEREAS, under Ordinance 392, a long service is defined as connections exceeding 61 feet in length ("Long Service"). A Long Service lateral is prohibited when it conflicts with the District's operational or planning standards. In these cases, a water main pipeline extension ("Main Extension") is required; and

WHEREAS, the District imposes a procedure whereby an applicant is permitted to install and operate a Long Service connection to the District's water system and is required to pay applicable fees and charges for the Long Service and any subsequent service via a Main Extension. Said requirements are set forth in a "Provisional Water Service Agreement" that the property owner, as a practice, is required to enter into with the District; and

WHEREAS, such a Provisional Water Service Agreement allows a Long Service to be utilized until a Main Extension is installed for service to the Developer's property and the surrounding area of benefit. In the event the District installs a Main Extension, the Developer is required to pay its proportionate share of the cost of the Main Extension; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of Ordinance 392, staff has requested approval from the Board prior to authorizing certain Long Services to be permitted without a Provisional Water

Service Agreement. However, Ordinance 392, as written, does not explicitly require Board approval. To streamline the process, the District desires to grant discretionary authority to staff to make this determination after a thorough review to determine suitability, operational feasibility, and compliance with District rules; and

WHEREAS, if the applicant disagrees with any requirements, they may appeal to the Board pursuant to the guidelines outlined in Ordinance 392.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County as follows:

Section 1. The above-mentioned Recitals are incorporated herein and made an operative part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Board hereby delegates to the General Manager, or to the General Manager's delegated party, the discretionary authority to determine whether a Long Service of any length may be permitted in place of a Main Extension and without a Provisional Water Service Agreement provided that a review of the circumstances surrounding the development is conducted. The review may include, as necessary:

- a. A review of the area concludes there are no other properties that would benefit from water service; or concludes that a main extension is unnecessary or impractical, such as when future looping is unlikely.
- b. No master-planned facilities exist in the area.
- c. Operational challenges of maintaining water quality in dead-end mains exist.
- d. There is potential for maintenance difficulties due to private property.
- e. Maintenance would impede property owner egress/ingress.

Section 3. The approval of long service laterals by the Water District pertains solely to the adequacy of the water infrastructure and its compliance with District standards. Verification of fixture and sprinkler system functionality is the responsibility of the property owner and must be addressed through the appropriate city or county permitting and inspection processes. However, to ensure that these requirements are met, Western

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Municipal Water District staff may require verification that the water pressure at the meter exceeds the minimum standards prescribed by the District under specific circumstances. Such circumstances may include, but are not limited to, cases where downstream demands or hydraulic conditions suggest that the minimum pressure at the meter may not provide sufficient pressure at the fixtures or systems. This verification, if required, shall be coordinated with the applicant during the review process.

Section 4. Staff will continue to uphold the provisions set forth in Ordinance 392 for the construction of Main Extensions when a Long Service lateral conflicts with the District's operational or planning standards.

Section 5. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase in this Resolution is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases or the application thereof be held invalid.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day 8th day of January, 2025.

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MIKE GARDNER  
President

January 8, 2025

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution 3332 adopted by the Board of Directors of Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County at its Regular meeting held January 8, 2025.

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FAUZIA RIZVI  
Secretary-Treasurer