

CITY OF AMADOR CITY

RESOLUTION NO. 300

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AMADOR CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING FINDINGS REGARDING WATER CONSERVATION AND AB 325

WHEREBY the State of California adopted Assembly Bill 325 approved by the Governor on September 30, 1990 and codified as Chapter 1145 adding Article 10.8 to Chapter 3 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code, (commencing with Section 65590), relating to water conservation; and

WHEREAS AB325 requires local agencies to adopt a water efficient landscape ordinance or adopt over-riding findings which state a water efficient landscape ordinance is not necessary by January 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS if the City does not adopt such an ordinance or over-riding findings, the model water efficient landscape ordinance prepared by the State takes effect and the City will be required to enforce its provisions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amador City, population of 190 in 1990 does not have the resources to enforce the proposed model ordinance prepared by the State Department of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, the State will not reimburse local agencies for enforcement of the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the hardrock geologic outcroppings, mined and reclaimed areas devoid of top soil, limit areas for gardens, lawns and other high water use landscape areas. Since established landscaped areas are confined to yard areas and areas of parks, the addition of new water inefficient landscaped areas is unlikely; and

WHEREAS, the water supply serving the City originates in the Mokelumne River watershed. It is carried through a series of reservoirs and ditches to the water treatment plant located in the City of Sutter Creek. The supply is not dependent upon the importation of water from other areas of the State. The supply is collected and used with the county of origin; and

WHEREAS, through six years of drought, the water supply has been sufficient replenished each year such that rationing has not been required; and

WHEREAS, other surface and ground water resources are known to be available for water supply purposes, but have been untapped.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Amador City Council that the City of Amador City recognizes the significance of water efficient landscaping which is already promoted by the City of Amador City and also irrigation measures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the findings included in this Resolution provide the basis for not adopting the State's Model Landscape Ordinance or preparing one.

The foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted this 10th day of December, 1992 by the following vote:

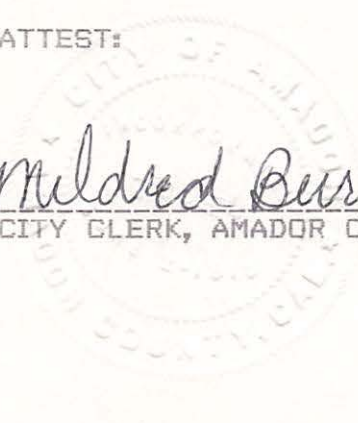
AYES: Vice-Mayor Bragstad, Councilwoman Luxemberg and Councilwoman Davidson

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 2

ABSTAIN: 0

ATTEST:


Mildred Burns
CITY CLERK, AMADOR CITY

Susan Bragstad
VICE-MAYOR, CITY OF AMADOR CITY