

ORDINANCE NO. 13-919

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, REVISING WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 15.56, STORM WATER AND URBAN RUNOFF POLLUTION CONTROL, TO IMPLEMENT GREEN STREETS INFRASTRUCTURE ON TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR PROJECTS TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Purpose and Findings. The City is a permittee under the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region Order No. R4-2012-0175, issued on November 08, 2012, which establishes Waste Discharge Requirements for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Discharges within the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles County, Except those Discharges Originating from the City of Long Beach MS4. Order No. R4-2012-0175 contains requirements for municipalities to establish a Green Streets Policy in order to participate in a Watershed Management Program and/or Enhanced Watershed Management Program.

The City is committed to a storm water management program that protects water quality and water supply by employing watershed-based approaches that balance environmental and economic considerations. Urbanization has led to increased impervious surface areas resulting in increased water runoff and less percolation to groundwater aquifers causing the transport of pollutants to downstream receiving waters. Green Streets treat storm water on-site through use of vegetated facilities to improve water quality, replenish groundwater, create attractive streetscapes, and introduce park-like elements in the public right of way. It is the intent of the City to implement Green Streets as an integrated aspect of City infrastructure for all Transportation Corridor Projects, as defined herein.

SECTION 2. Section 15.56.040 of Title 15, Chapter 15.56 DEFINITIONS of the West Hollywood Municipal Code is amended to add in alphabetical sequence the following words and phrases with the following meanings when used in this chapter:

“Green Streets” shall mean street, road, and alley right of way areas that incorporate infiltration, bio-filtration, and/or storage and use post-construction BMP’s to collect, retain, or detain storm water runoff.

“Transportation Corridor Projects” shall mean roadway projects that add at least 10,000 square feet of impervious surface within the public right of way.

“Routine maintenance or repair” shall mean slurry seals, repaving, and reconstruction of roads, streets and alleys where the original line and grade are maintained.

SECTION 3. A new Section 15.56.096 is hereby added to Title 15, Chapter 15.56 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code to read as follows:

15.56.096 GREEN STREETS.

All new Transportation Corridor Projects, excluding routine maintenance or repair and linear utility projects, shall implement post-construction BMPs for Green Streets.

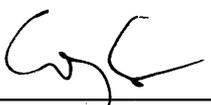
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 19th day of August, 2013 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	Duran, Heilman, Prang, Mayor Pro Tempore D’Amico, Mayor Land.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.



ABBE LAND, MAYOR

ATTEST:



COREY SCHAFFER, CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD)

I, COREY SCHAFFER, City Clerk of the City of West Hollywood, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 13-919 was duly passed, approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of August 2013, after having its first reading at the regular meeting of said City Council on the 5th day of August 2013.

I further certify that this ordinance was posted in three public places as provided for in Resolution No. 5, adopted the 29th day of November, 1984.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 20th DAY OF AUGUST, 2013.



COREY SCHAFFER, CITY CLERK