Ms. Townsend,

The City of Milpitas, specifically the Director of Public Works, would like to provide comments for the following proposed restriction:

“(G) As of January 1, 2025, the irrigation of turf on public street medians or publicly owned and maintained landscaped areas between the street and sidewalk, except where:

   (i) the turf serves a community or neighborhood function, including, but not limited to, recreational uses and civic or community events;

   (ii) the turf is irrigated incidentally by an irrigation system, the primary purpose of which is the irrigation of trees; or

   (iii) the turf is irrigated with recycled water through an irrigation system installed prior to January 1, 2018.”

In regards to exception “iii”, the expectation of Cities and Agencies to have all turf street medians, or publicly owned and maintained landscaped areas between the street and sidewalk, irrigated with recycled water by January 1, 2018 (a past date) provides no time to receive the “iii” exception to this proposed regulation. Turf will be removed to accommodate this proposed restriction. Leaving only dirt. The “iii” exception date, January 1, 2018, is a past date and has left no time for Cities and Agencies to convert effected turf irrigation systems to recycled water.

For proposed regulation G - exception iii, the City of Milpitas is suggesting a future date in order to convert turf irrigation to recycled water.

Thank you.

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