



ORDINANCE 2026-3

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BLANDING CITY, UTAH, AMENDING THE BLANDING CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING UPDATED LANDSCAPING AND WATER-WISE STANDARDS IN CHAPTER 10.14

WHEREAS, Blanding City recognizes the importance of responsible water management and conservation to ensure long-term sustainability of the City's water resources; and

WHEREAS, outdoor irrigation represents a significant portion of municipal water use and water-wise landscaping practices can substantially reduce water demand; and

WHEREAS, the State of Utah encourages municipalities to adopt water-wise landscaping standards to promote efficient water use and improve long-term community resilience; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that establishing clear landscaping standards for new development will support responsible growth while maintaining attractive and functional community design; and

WHEREAS, City staff have prepared updated landscaping standards to provide reasonable limits on turf areas, encourage drought-tolerant landscaping practices, and maintain flexibility for property owners; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that adoption of updated landscaping and water-wise standards is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Blanding City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BLANDING CITY, UTAH:

Section 1. Adoption of Chapter 10.14

Blanding City Municipal Code Chapter 10.14 – Landscaping and Water-Wise Standards is hereby adopted and incorporated into the Blanding City Municipal Code in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.



Section 2. Applicability

The standards adopted in Chapter 10.14 shall apply to new development and construction as defined within the Chapter and shall be administered by the Building Official and other City staff as designated.

Section 3. Administrative Authority

The Building Official, City Manager, and Technical Review Committee are authorized to interpret and administer the requirements of Chapter 10.14 consistent with the provisions contained therein.

Section 4. Conflicting Provisions

All ordinances, resolutions, or portions of the Blanding City Municipal Code in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby amended to conform to the provisions adopted herein.

Section 5. Severability

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.



PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 3/24 day of MARCH, 2026.

Trevor Olsen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pratt Redd, City Manager/ City Recorder

	VOTE
Chad Moses	<u>YES</u>
Charlie Taylor	<u>YES</u>
Kellen Nielson	<u>YES</u>
Chris Ewald	<u>YES</u>
Jesse Grover	<u>YES</u>

On the 24 day of March, 2026 personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Utah, Trevor Olsen, Mayor and Pratt Redd, Recorder of the City of Blanding who duly acknowledged to me that they are the signers of the foregoing instrument, who duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same in accordance with authority vested in them by the said City of Blanding.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 04-22-28 Residing at: 50 W. 100 S.
Blanding, UT 84511