

**VINEYARD
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VINEYARD, UTAH, UPDATING THE CITY'S GENERAL PLAN TO INCLUDE A NEW ELEMENT (OR CHAPTER) TITLED, "WATER USE AND PRESERVATION". THIS NEW ELEMENT (NOW ELEMENT 11 OF THE GENERAL PLAN) IS A REQUIREMENT FROM SENATE BILL 0110, WHICH MODIFIES PROVISIONS RELATED TO GENERAL PLANS TO ADDRESS WATER. THE BILL REQUIRES A WATER USE AND PRESERVATION ELEMENT TO BE A PART OF A MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY GENERAL PLAN ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025. THIS ORDINANCE ADDRESSES THE REQUIREMENTS OF THAT BILL; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION BY SUMMARY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Utah State Municipal Land Use, Development, and Management Act (LUDMA), the City established a Water Use and Preservation Element in the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Water Use and Preservation Element provides the city strategies for reductions in water usage and preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on February 15, 2023, and after fully considering public comment and staff recommendation, recommended approval to the City Council, and

WHEREAS, the City Council reviewed the Water Use and Preservation Element of the General Plan and held a public hearing on February 22, 2023, and after fully considering public comment, staff and Planning Commission's recommendations, evidence, and testimony presented by the City, staff, and other interested parties.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Vineyard, in the State of Utah, as follows:

SECTION 1: **ADOPTION** "11 Water Use And Preservation" of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

11 Water Use And Preservation(*Added*)

[See 12.18 for Goals and Strategies regarding Water Use and Preservation.](#)

SECTION 2: **ADOPTION** “Goals And Strategies” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

Goals And Strategies(*Added*)

SECTION 3: **ADOPTION** “12.18 Water Use And Preservation” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

12.18 Water Use And Preservation(*Added*)

SECTION 4: **ADOPTION** “12.18.010 Goal 1” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

12.18.010 Goal 1(*Added*)

- 1. Implement methods for reducing water demand and per capita consumption for existing development.**
 - a. Strategy 1: Replace non-programmable turf with water-wise landscaping based on elements from Localscapes.
 - b. Strategy 2: Monitor water meter data to detect residential and commercial water leakages and excessive water use.
 - c. Strategy 3: Create a program where residents can ear rebates through the "Flip Your Strip" Program.
 - d. Strategy 4: Continue to use social media and other online platforms to promote water conservation.

SECTION 5: **ADOPTION** “12.18.020 Goal 2” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

12.18.020 Goal 2(*Added*)

1. Implement methods for reducing water demand and per capita consumption for future development.

- a. Strategy 1: Install local weather stations and moisture sensors in city-owned properties to allow smart controllers to water by sensing evapotranspiration. The city shall consider a method of incentivizing private property owners to adopt similar mechanisms.
- b. Strategy 2: For future Downtown development, offer water credits to developers who are willing to implement more than required water-wise landscaping and/or install water-saving devices.
- c. Strategy 3: Create a Secondary Water Master Plan. Secondary water is used for irrigation and is less expensive than potable water.
- d. Strategy 4: Implement a tiered-rate billing structure that incentivized using less water.
- e. Strategy 5: Adopt a landscaping ordinance requiring water-wise landscaping and water on all new construction.

SECTION 6: **ADOPTION** “12.18.030 Goal 3” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

12.18.030 Goal 3(*Added*)

1. Improve the effect of permitted development or patterns of development on water demand and water infrastructure.

- a. Strategy 1: Focus on Smart Growth and water-sensitive urban and building design.
- b. Strategy 2: Incorporate Blue/Green Infrastructure (BGI) solutions and Low Impact Development (LID).
- c. Strategy 3: Reduce hardscape and impervious surfaces throughout the city.
- d. Strategy 4: Preserve open space, natural beauty, and critical environmental areas.

SECTION 7: **ADOPTION** “12.18.040 Goal 4” of the Vineyard General Plan is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

12.18.040 Goal 4(*Added*)

1. Modify the municipality's operation to eliminate practices or conditions that waste water.

- a. Strategy 1: Identify and retrofit areas within public property that can be converted to low-water usage in the near or immediate future.
- b. Strategy 2: Implement a water audit program that sends a certified employee to a residents home to survey their water usage and implement a plan to conserve water.
- c. Strategy 3: Provide regular water conservation training for city staff that are involved with water infrastructure repair and monitoring and water services.
- d. Strategy 4: City staff shall repair water leaks within 24 hours of detection.
- e. Strategy 5: Upgrade and maintain the existing water infrastructure network, rather than invest in expanding water systems to dispersed development.

SECTION 8: REPEALER CLAUSE All ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof, which are in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9: SEVERABILITY CLAUSE Should any part or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinances a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

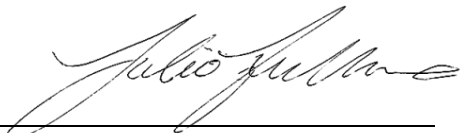
SECTION 10: EFFECTIVE DATE This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from _____ and after the required approval and publication according to law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE VINEYARD COUNCIL FEBRUARY 22, 2023.

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mayor Julie Fullmer	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Tyce Flake	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Amber Rasmussen	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mardi Sifuentes	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Cristy Welsh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Presiding Officer

Attest



Julie Fullmer, Mayor, Vineyard



Pamela Spencer, City Recorder,
Vineyard

