

STAFF REPORT 7/14/2021

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Nathan Statham, Finance Director

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution No. WA-2021-08 Extending the Coachella Water

Authority Temporary Suspension of Service Turnoffs, originally enacted by the Board of Directors by Resolution WA-2020-04, and ratifying the Order

of the Executive Director Extending the Temporary Moratorium.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. WA-2021-08 Extending the Coachella Water Authority Temporary Suspension of Service Turnoffs, originally enacted by the Board of Directors by Resolution WA-2020-04 and ratifying the Order of the Executive Director Extending the Temporary Moratorium.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On March 24, 2020, the Authority adopted Resolution WA-2020-04, which directed the Executive Director to refrain from taking action that would result in the termination of service to residential customers, due to nonpayment, at least through June 1, 2020. The Temporary Suspension was extended numerous times. The Board of Directors adopted Resolution WA-2021-02 extending the Temporary Suspension through June 30, 2021. The proposed Resolution would readopt the same protections found in Resolution WA-2021-02 and extend the Temporary Suspension **through September 30, 2021.**

From now until the extension lapses on September 30, 2021, the Board of Directors and Executive Director will continue to monitor the situation and may rescind, modify, or further extend the Temporary Suspension as necessary.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Extend the ending date beyond September 30, 2021.
- 2. Provide additional direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The extension of the Temporary Suspension will potentially increase delinquent utility balances. The effect of this action is estimated to be negligible to the Authority's financial position.

Attachments:

Resolution WA-2021-08