



MEETING DATE: March 24, 2026

PRESENTED BY: Xavier Cervantes, AICP, CPM, Director of Planning

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration and possible action to approve Ordinance # _____ temporarily suspending the acceptance, processing, and approval of applications for new car wash facilities, declaring a moratorium for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days or until the adoption and implementation of updated regulations – Cervantes

NATURE OF REQUEST:

The proposed ordinance establishes a temporary moratorium on car wash facilities due to water shortage and severe drought. The purpose of the moratorium is to provide the City with adequate time to evaluate the land use, public health, and regulatory impacts associated with car wash facilities including zoning compatibility and licensing requirements.

During the moratorium period, City staff will review existing regulations and assess whether amendments to the City’s zoning ordinance, permitting processes, or other applicable codes are necessary to address the operation and concentration of new car wash facilities.

Existing legally operating businesses will not be affected, provided they do not expand or change their use during the moratorium.

The moratorium is intended to be temporary and limited in scope and will expire unless extended or repealed.

BUGETED: Yes / No / N/A **FUND:** _____ **ACCT. #:** _____

BUDGET: \$ _____ **EST. COST:** \$ _____ **CURRENT BUDGET BALANCE:** \$ _____

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

Departmental Approval: N/A

Advisory Board Recommendation: N/A

City Manager’s Recommendation: Approval *JPT*

RECORD OF VOTE: **APPROVED:** _____

DISAPPROVED: _____

TABLED: _____

_____ AYES

_____ NAYS

_____ DISSENTING _____