

ITEM 18. CONSIDER URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 167 -- AMENDING RULE 141, WATER CONSERVATION REBATES; RULE 142, WATER EFFICIENCY STANDARDS; AND RULE 143, WATER EFFICIENCY STANDARDS FOR EXISTING NON-RESIDENTIAL USES

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Summary of Ordinance 167

- Ordinance No. 167 is an urgency ordinance to amend Rule 141 (Water Conservation Rebates) Rule 142 (Water Efficiency Standards), and Rule 143 (Water Efficiency Standards for Existing Non-Residential Uses)
- Model Water Efficiency Landscape Ordinance was amended this past summer effective in 2016



Summary of Ordinance 167

- California Energy Commission standards for water appliances change adopted in April 2015
- Applies to sale and installation in California as of Jan 1, 2016
 - Urinals reduced from 0.5 gpf to 0.125 gpf
 - Bathroom faucet standard is 1.2 gallons per minute, down from 2.2 gallons per minute
 - Kitchen faucets max. 1.8 gallons per minute (may temporarily allow a slightly higher temporary flow to fill pots and pans)



Summary of Ordinance 167

- An urgency ordinance takes effect immediately and expires after one year.
- Adoption may occur this evening with a vote of five directors
- Staff is preparing a comprehensive ordinance to codify these changes in the Rules & Regulations
- Urgency exists to adopt these rules at the December meeting



Recommendation

- The Board should receive public comment
- Adopt Ordinance No. 167 with urgency
- Effective immediately
- Expires after one year
- Rule 167 amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities



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