

Project Title: Daily water use limits on new commercial, industrial and institutional development

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This proposed ordinance makes the following amendments (for summary purposes only):

- Modifies Subsection 21A.33.010.D.1 to clarify land uses subject to the maximum daily water consumption prohibition.

Underlined text is new; text with strikethrough is proposed to be deleted. Modifications made as part of the Planning Commission recommendation are highlighted in yellow. All other text is existing with no proposed change.

Planning Note: The proposal is subject to the Temporary Land Use Regulations adopted by the City Council on March 24, 2026.

If adopted by the City Council, the Salt Lake City Council ordains the following, in substantial compliance with the following:

1. *Amends Subsection 21A.33.010.D.1 as follows:*

D. Prohibited Uses: The following land uses are prohibited in all zoning districts:

1. ~~Commercial and Industrial Land Uses That Exceed two hundred thousand (200,000) Gallons of Water per Day~~ Non-Residential Land Uses That Exceed 200,000 Gallons of Water per Day.

a. New Land Uses: Any new ~~commercial or industrial~~ non-residential land use that consumes or uses more than an annual average of ~~two hundred thousand (200,000)~~ gallons of potable water per day is prohibited in all zoning districts. The use and consumption limit is based on the total use from all water meters that serve the land use.

b. Expansions of Existing Uses: No ~~commercial or industrial~~ non-residential land use shall expand to an extent that increases its daily potable water consumption or use to exceed an annual average of ~~two~~

11 ~~hundred thousand (200,000)~~ gallons of potable water per day. Notwithstanding the provisions of
12 Subsection 21A.38.040.E, an existing land use that exceeds the water use threshold may not expand if the
13 expansion will result in a net increase in water consumption or use. The use and consumption limit is
14 based on the total use from all water meters that serve the land use.

15 c. Water Use Report Required: A land use applicant shall certify the anticipated daily water use of
16 the proposed land use in a manner satisfactory to the Department of Public Utilities. The Department of
17 Public Utilities may require an anticipated daily water use report of any land use applicant proposing a
18 new use or expansion of an existing use.

19 d. Exemption: Agricultural, ~~residential, and institutional~~ schools, government owned or operated
20 facilities that primarily provide social services, places of worship, and hospitals. Land uses are not subject
21 to the regulations of this subsection. For purposes of this section, an institutional land use includes
22 government owned or operated facilities, places of worship, and hospitals. For purposes of this section
23 social services shall mean a land use that provides direct service for people who are in need of assistance
24 with basic needs (such as food, housing, safety, or job training) or with medical needs (such as addiction
25 or mental illness).

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Effective Date: This ordinance, if passed, shall become effective on the date of its first publication and shall be recorded with the Salt Lake City Recorder.