RESOLUTION 2023-04

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OUTDOOR WATERING RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN WELLINGTON CITY.

WHEREAS, the Wellington City Council has knowledge of extreme drought conditions existing in the State of Utah;

WHERE AS, the City has received information from water providers and irrigation companies that water delivery restrictions and shortages are very likely during upcoming irrigation seasons; and

WHEREAS, Wellington City secondary and culinary water systems are limited in redundancy and have experienced mechanical problems that limit delivery of both culinary and secondary water in high demand periods such as extreme heat and drought periods as currently being experienced, and the mechanical problems may persist for several weeks until sufficient repairs can be made; and

WHEREAS, implementing a watering schedule is anticipated to reduce culinary and secondary peak demand water usage and increase pressures to service connections; and

WHEREAS, the Utah Division of Water Resources has a website www.slowtheflow.org that advises property owners on when it is appropriate to irrigate and also provides information on how homeowners can reduce their water usage, and the City recommends the guidelines contained therein for more sustainable watering conditions, and

WHEREAS, the Wellington City Council desires to provide these recommendations in order to preserve and sustain the operability of the Wellington City culinary and secondary water systems.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL OF WELLINGTON as follows:

- 1. That a recommendation is hereby established strongly encouraging reductions to outdoor watering through the Wellington City culinary or secondary water system and to adhere to the following:
 - a) That a water meter should be installed at each new secondary water connection. Meters shall be installed per the city's standard details and specifications. Secondary irrigation water meters must be installed before occupancy will be granted for any new structure where the property has a pressure irrigation connection.
 - b) After installation of the meter by the city, at no time shall anyone be allowed to open or access the meter box unless under the direction of the city.
 - c) A separate service connection and water meter must be provided for each parcel or lot to be connected to the secondary irrigation system. The City may approve other

- layouts due to preexisting or atypical conditions. Before water is supplied through the connection, some person or legal entity shall agree to be responsible for and pay for all water used through the service.
- d) Where water is now supplied through one service, to one or more houses or persons, the City may, in its discretion, either refuse to furnish water until separate services are provided or may continue to supply on condition that one person shall be responsible for and pay for all water used through the service.
- e) Watering for secondary irrigation will be prohibited between 10AM and 6PM
- 2. That all residents and businesses should use care not to waster water, and are advised to follow water conservation measures as suggested through the Utah Division of Water Resources website, www.slowtheflow.org.
- 3. That these watering recommendations are encouraged each watering season and that these recommendations may be lifted or extended upon the approval of the City Council.
- 4. That this resolution will be given the widest public dissemination through press releases, posting in public places, on social media and other methods available to the city.
- 5. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Passed by the Council of Wellington, Carbon County, Utah, this 8th of March 2023.

WELLINGTON CITY, A Utah Municipal Corporation

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Recorder