

Legislation Text

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Consider an ordinance amending Chapter 44, Article VIII, Code of Ordinances (2010 Edition), regarding Drought Contingency and Peak Day Water Use Management. (Second Reading)

Stage I of the Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) has been in effect since October 2013. It has been determined by staff that a few items within the plan need to be updated, reworded, and revised to have better compliance with the DCP restrictions and help with enforcement. The changes that are being proposed here are as follows:

-Stage II watering calendar-the current schedule restricts outdoor watering to only three days per week for all water customers. The new schedule spreads out watering over the whole week, which keeps water use more consistent. This doesn't place as much stress on the water treatment plant, since the plant is able to plan for a more consistent water use amount daily, versus three days of high use and four days of very low use.

-Clarification on restrictions for refilling of swimming pools.

-Supply based triggers for each stage of the DCP to include combined storage of Lake Georgetown and Lake Stillhouse Hollow.

-Revision to schedule for operation of fountains.

Upon approval by City Council, the DCP will be shared with the City's Wholesale customers so that they can adopt similar drought restrictions.

Staff recommends approval.