

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 130, Article IV, Division 5, Division 6, and Division 7 of the Code of Ordinances relating to Water Conservation and Critical Period Management Plan, Regulated Activities, and Drought Management Plan.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The Drought Management Plan was last modified in February 2014. To update the Ordinance and to ensure the community of New Braunfels will have an adequate water supply during and outside times of drought, the proposed revisions include the following:

1. revising the stages of watering restrictions based upon the Comal Spring flow, Edwards Aquifer J-17 well level, and potable water system capacity;
2. indicating that Chapter 130 applies to all NBU customers as a condition of service; and
3. restricting outdoor watering during non-drought periods to twice per week.

Due to the proximity of New Braunfels to San Antonio and its large media outlets, the proposed ordinance also includes the requirements to declare and terminate drought stages to mirror those of San Antonio Water Systems.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

NBU Board recommends voted to approve the changes on February 28, 2019.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

New Braunfels Utilities staff recommends modifying Chapter 130 of the New Braunfels Code of Ordinances.