

RESOLUTION NO. 685

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A WATER EMERGENCY AND IMPOSING MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS ON WATER USE UNDER STAGE 3 PURSUANT TO CITY CODE CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 4 OF THE CITY OF ROSE HILL, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Rose Hill has executed an agreement for wholesale water services with the City of Wichita requiring the implementation of a drought response plan upon written notice by the City of Wichita;

WHEREAS, the City of Wichita has imposed mandatory water restrictions effective August 5, 2024 and continuing for two months;

WHEREAS, City of Rose Hill Code Section 15-403 authorizes the Governing Body to determine that the City's water supply may be subject to shortage in supply and to declare a water emergency with mandatory water restrictions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSE HILL:

Section 1. By and through its inherent authority and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 15, Article 4 hereby finds that an emergency exists by reason of the City of Wichita's drought response plan.

Section 2. The following conservation measures are adopted for the use of potable water from the City's municipal water supply until such time as the City of Wichita drought response plan is lifted:

1. All outdoor non-crucial watering for all water users is restricted to once a week and watering is prohibited during the hours from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
2. The planting of trees and bushes and reseeding of lawns is prohibited.
3. Washing of the exterior of any building or structure on any grounds is prohibited
4. Waste of Water is prohibited.


Section 3. The following uses are exempt from the restrictions:

1. Businesses that generate their core economic activity from outdoor water use, such as: Golf courses, Car washes that have recycled water facilities built into their operations, Nurseries, and Sod suppliers.
2. Food-producing gardens utilizing drip irrigation or hand watering are exempt from the watering restriction.
3. The use of private water wells is not prohibited by this order but due to drought conditions, excessive irrigation by wells is discouraged.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be enforced in accordance with Section 15-408 of the Code of the City of Rose Hill.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon publication of the summary of this Resolution in the official city newspaper and posting of the Resolution on the City's official website.

ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Rose Hill, Kansas, this 19th day of August 2024.



Gary Weaver, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kelly Mendoza, City Clerk

