

RESOLUTION NO. 997

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, REQUESTING VOLUNTARY WATER REDUCTION BY WATER USERS WITHIN THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR'S WATER SERVICE AREA.

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2015 Washington State Governor Jay Inslee declared a drought emergency in all 39 counties of the State; and

WHEREAS, due to the existing drought emergency and the fact that the City is entering the months of the calendar year with the least precipitation, and thus the highest demands on the City's water system, it is important to the health, safety, property and welfare of City residents to reduce water demands at this time; and

WHEREAS, the City's water system is becoming stressed due to the need to turn off production from Well 2 and reduce production volume from Well 4; and

WHEREAS, these events do not yet constitute an emergency as outlined in Chapter 13.16 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings and Request for Water Reduction. Based upon the WHEREAS clauses above, which are incorporated as findings, the City Council hereby requests water users within the City of Gig Harbor's water service area voluntarily reduce water consumption until Washington State lifts the drought emergency or November 1, 2015, whichever comes first.

Section 2. Recommended Water Reduction Measures. The City Council hereby recommends the following water reduction measures by water users within the City of Gig Harbor's water service area:

- A. No car washing at home.
- B. No washing of driveways and sidewalks.
- C. No watering of landscaping during daylight hours.
- D. Watering of private landscaping during the night for even-numbered addresses on even-numbered dates.
- E. Watering of private landscaping during the night for odd-numbered address on odd-numbered dates.
- F. No irrigation of streetscapes and landscaping strips.
- G. No irrigation of City Parks in non-play areas except where to establish vegetation.
- H. Reduced irrigation of play areas in City Parks.

RESOLVED by the City Council this 8th day of June, 2015.

APPROVED:


MAYOR JILL GUERNSEY

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


MOLLY TOWSLEE, CITY CLERK

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