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Declaration for Voluntary Water Conservation in the City of Wentzville

WHEREAS, the state of Missouri, under Governor Parsons' executive order 23-05, has recognized the presence of rapidly escalating drought conditions within its borders; and

WHEREAS, St. Charles County, including the City of Wentzville, is currently experiencing moderate drought conditions coupled with above-normal temperatures, resulting in increased demand for water, particularly for lawn irrigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, ensuring access to water for all residents is of utmost importance during the summer, necessitating the cooperation and assistance of the community in conserving water resources; and

WHEREAS, to address the heightened demand for lawn irrigation while promoting fairness and equitable distribution of water, a split weekly schedule for automated lawn irrigation systems or portable lawn sprinklers and the ability to implement spot-watering practices is deemed necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the City Code Section 705.120 Water Conservation, the Public Works Director has recommended a water irrigation conservation plan within the City of Wentzville.

NOW THEREFORE it is declared by the Mayor of the City of Wentzville that a 90-day local Water Conservation Declaration is effective to be implemented by all residents between Monday, June 12 and Friday, Sept. 5, 2023, with the following measures in effect:

A split weekly schedule for automated lawn irrigation systems or portable lawn sprinklers shall be observed, and spot watering by hand may be implemented as needed.
1. Even-numbered addresses may water lawns on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
2. Odd-numbered addresses may water lawns on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday.
3. Spot watering, limited to a maximum of 30 minutes per day by hand, using a watering can or a single garden hose, is permitted for the purpose of tending to bushes, trees and flowers or addressing dry spots on lawns.

This declaration calls upon the residents of Wentzville to actively participate in these voluntary water conservation measures, demonstrating their commitment to responsible water usage and the preservation of our community's water supply. It further urges residents to raise awareness and encourage others to adopt sustainable water practices.

By collectively engaging in these efforts, the City of Wentzville aims to ensure that all residents have sufficient access to water resources throughout summer, while proactively addressing the challenges posed by drought conditions. Compliance with this declaration is voluntary at this time and may be modified in the future based on customer response and future weather conditions.

Mayor Nick Guccione
City of Wentzville

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June 7, 2023
Date