

RESOLUTION 2015-10

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE END OF A WATER EMERGENCY, STAGE 2 WATER WARNING; AND DECLARING A STAGE 1 WATER WATCH TO BE IN EFFECT FOR CITY OF BURLINGTON, KANSAS AND ITS WATER CONSUMERS, INCLUDING RURAL WATER DISTRICTS 2 AND 3 AND THE CITIES OF GRIDLEY, LEROY, AND NEW STRAWN, KANSAS; AS REQUIRED BY CITY OF BURLINGTON'S EMERGENCY WATER OPERATIONS/SUPPLY PLAN-DROUGHT/EMERGENCY CONTINGENCY PLAN AND CITY ORDINANCE NO. 536.

WHEREAS, the Burlington Water Treatment Plant receives water from the Cottonwood and Neosho River Basins Water Assurance District No. 3; and

WHEREAS, with the Kansas Water Office has informed Water District #3 they can downsize the Water Emergency from Stage 2 - Water Warning, which was instituted by Resolution 2014-03 (on June 4, 2014) to STAGE I - WATER WATCH; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Ordinance 536 is to provide for the declaration of a water supply watch, warning or emergency and the implementation of voluntary and mandatory water conservation measures throughout the City in the event such a watch, warning or emergency is declared; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 536, Section 3, Declaration of Water Watch states, Whenever the Governing body of the City finds that conditions indicate that the probability of a drought or some other conditions causing a major water supply shortage to arise, it shall be empowered to declare, by resolution, that a water watch exists and that it shall take steps to inform the public and ask for voluntary reductions in water use. Such a watch shall be deemed to continue until it is declared by resolution of the Governing body to have ended. The resolutions declaring the existence and end of a water watch shall be effective upon their publication in the official city newspaper; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 536, Section 6. Voluntary Conservation Measures states, Upon the declaration of a water watch or water warning as provided in this ordinance, the Mayor is authorized to call on all water consumers to employ voluntary water conservation measures to limit or eliminate nonessential water uses including, but not limited to, limitation on certain uses:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, KANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1. In accordance with Ordinance 536, Section 6, Voluntary Conservation Measures, The Mayor of City of Burlington hereby declares City of Burlington and all its water consumers, including Rural Water Districts 2 and 3, and the Cities of Gridley, LeRoy, and New Strawn to be under a WATER WATCH.

SECTION 2. Mayor Robert S. Luke hereby calls on all water consumers to employ voluntary water conservation measures to limit or eliminate nonessential water uses including, but not limited to, limitation on the following uses:

- 1) Sprinkling of water on lawns, shrubs or trees, including golf courses.
- 2) Washing of automobiles.
- 3) Use of water in swimming pools, fountains and evaporative air conditioning systems.
- 4) Waste of water.

SECTION 3. Resolution 2014-03 is hereby ended.

SECTION 4. This Resolution 2015-10 is in full force from time of passage and publication in the local newspaper, and shall remain in effect until the Water Watch is declared ended by a new resolution.

APPROVED by the City of Burlington Governing Body, Coffey County, Kansas, on this 20th day of May 2015.

Robert S. Luke, Mayor

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ATTEST:  Regina R. Kewley, City Clerk

