

**CITY OF WEST RICHLAND
RESOLUTION NO. 7-16**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND,
WASHINGTON, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO WEST RICHLAND'S WATER USE
EFFICIENCY GOALS**

WHEREAS, in 2003, the Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1338, better known as the Municipal Water Law, to address the increasing demand on our state's water resources; and

WHEREAS, the law established that all municipal water suppliers must use water more efficiently in exchange for water right certainty and flexibility to help them meet future demands; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature directed the Department of Health (DOH) to adopt an enforceable Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Program, which became effective on January 22, 2007; and

WHEREAS, WUE Program requires the governing body of the municipal water system to develop and adopt initial water use efficiency goals through a public process by January 22, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on January 22, 2008 adopted Resolution 04-08 adopting West Richland's Water Use Efficiency Goals following a duly advertised public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council on June 1, 2009 adopted Resolution 10-09 amending West Richland's Water Use Efficiency Goals following a duly advertised public hearing; and

WHEREAS, DOH requires water use efficiency goals to be reviewed and amended as necessary concurrently with the update of a water system plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of West Richland, Washington does hereby resolve as follows:

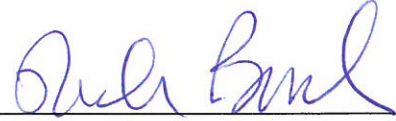
Section 1. The proposed amendment to the Water Use Efficiency Goals adopted by Resolution 10-09 is as follows:

1. Maintain water distribution system loss to 10% or less (based on three year rolling average).
2. ~~Reduce average water usage 1% annually (total reduction of 8% by 2015) from 576 gallons per day per equivalent residential unit (ERU) in 2007 to 530 gallons per day per ERU by 2015.~~ Maintain average water usage per equivalent residential unit (ERU) at 460 gallons per day per ERU through 2022 (based on a three year rolling average).

Section 2. There shall be a public hearing to allow for public input on the proposed amendment to West Richland's Water Use Efficiency Goals, before the City Council of the City of West Richland, Washington, at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on the 1st day of March, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

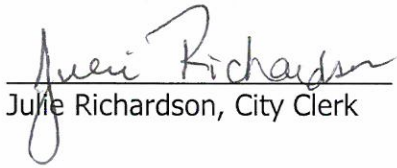
Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of West Richland, Washington, this 16th day of February, 2016.




Rich Buel, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


Julie Richardson, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Bronson Brown, City Attorney