

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM TO ADOPT WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOALS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES.

WHEREAS, In 2003 the Washington State Legislature passed House Bill 1338, known as the Municipal Water Law (MWL), to address increasing demands on our state's water resources; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health (DOH) was directed to oversee and enforce the Water Use Efficiency Program (WUE) to help support the goal of ensuring a safe and reliable drinking water supply; and

WHEREAS, The Water Use Efficiency Program became effective on January 22, 2007 and requires that the State's municipal water suppliers complete goal setting one year from the effective date with the WUE goals being in effect for a six-year period; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered staff presentations and proposals on Bellingham's water use efficiency goals and performance measures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:

The following goals and measures shall be included into the City of Bellingham's water conservation program and are hereby adopted.

Goals for WUE Program

1. Maintain city-wide per capita daily consumption
2. Keep city-wide water demand equal to or below city population growth rate

Performance Measures for WUE Program

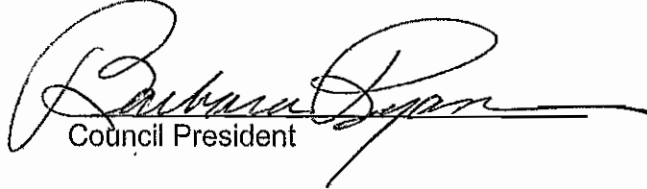
- Measure #1- Toilet retrofit program for SFR water customers
- Measure #2- Toilet retrofit program for Multi-family water customers
- Measure #3- Toilet retrofit program for Commercial customers
- Measure #4- Develop and implement a water conservation education program for 6th grade students

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Resolution Establishing Water Use Efficiency
Goals and Performance Measures

- Measure #5- Create lawn-watering door hanger for distribution during peak demand periods to educate water customers about proper outdoor watering techniques
- Measure #6- Evaluate and Develop High-Efficiency Fixture Program
- Measure #7- Develop future water rate structures with an emphasis on water conservation.
- Measure #8- Upgrade City Parks to high-efficiency irrigation systems
- Measure #9- Continue funding existing Public Outreach measures

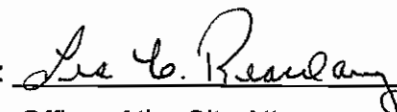
PASSED by the Council this 14th day of January, 2008.


Council President

APPROVED by me this 18th day of January, 2008.


Mayor

Attest: 
Finance Director

Approved as to form: 
Office of the City Attorney

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