



# CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

## AGENDA MEMORANDUM Presentation for the City Council Meeting

**DATE:** April 14, 2026  
**TO:** Peter Zanoni, City Manager  
**FROM:** Nicholas J. Winkelmann, P.E. Chief Operating Officer

### Ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinance Chapter 55, Article XII Water Resource Management and Updating the Drought Contingency Plan

**CAPTION:**

One reading Ordinance Amending City Code of Ordinances Chapter 55, Article XII Water Resource Management section 55-150 and section 55-153; updating the City’s Drought Contingency Plan (DCP), providing an effective date of April 14, 2026.

**SUMMARY:**

This motion authorizes an update to the Water Resource Management Ordinances Chapter 55, Article XII Water Resource Management, to include two new definitions, “essential water use” and “auxiliary water supply”, proposed at the March 24, 2026, Council Meeting.

**BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:**

On March 24, 2026, during the Council Meeting, Council Member Kaylyn Paxton requested the addition of the following terms: Essential Water Usage and Auxiliary Water Supply.

**1) Changes to Section 7. Definitions**

Current	Proposed
No definition of Essential Water Use and Auxiliary Water Supply	<p><b>Essential Water Use: water use necessary to sustain public health, welfare, safety, sanitation and fire protection.</b></p> <p><b>Auxiliary Water Supply: water supply from a source that does not originate from Corpus Christi Water’s supply system, whether treated or raw.</b></p> <p>The terms were added in the appropriate areas within the DCP and the City Code of Ordinances Chapter 55, Article XII Water Resource Management section 55-150 and section 55-153. The following DCP pages were updated with the terms as deemed appropriate: 1-4, 11-15, 17, 21, 26, 30, 35.</p>

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend approval of the ordinance and addition to the Drought Contingency Plan definition.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Redlined Ordinance 55 – 150

Redlined Ordinance 55 – 153

DCP Redlined Version