

# Ordinance Amending City Code of Ordinances and Updating the Drought Contingency Plan

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# Summary

*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.*

- Motion authorizes an update to the Water Resource Management ordinances and to the DCP, to include two new definitions as proposed at the March 24, 2026, Council Workshop:
  - Definition of essential water use
  - Definition of auxiliary water supply

ARTICLE XII. - WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT<sup>[7]</sup>

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# Current and Proposed Definitions

Current	Proposed
Essential Water Use – undefined	Essential Water Use – water use necessary to sustain public health, welfare, safety, sanitation, and fire protection.
Auxiliary Water Supply – undefined	Auxiliary Water Supply – water supply from a source that does not originate from Corpus Christi Water’s supply system, whether treated or raw.

*Terms were added in the appropriate areas within 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.*

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance and updates to the Drought Contingency Plan.



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