



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Public Hearing and First Reading for the City Council Meeting of March 19, 2019  
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of March 26, 2019

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**DATE:** February 1, 2019

**TO:** Keith Selman, Interim City Manager

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<b>Amendment to Code of Ordinances for Outside City Limits Water Contracts</b>
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**CAPTION:**

Ordinance amending Chapter 55 of the Corpus Christi Code to allow one contract for entire subdivision for outside city limits water contracts and allow transfer of water services outside the city limits without a new contract for the same use.

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this ordinance is to amend language in Sec 55-113 and Sec 55-114 to relieve an onerous administrative burden on the development community and City staff while still maintaining the original intent of the ordinance.

**BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Corpus Christi City Code of Ordinances Article VIII. Sec 55-111 states that prior to construction which included delivery of city water to any property which lies partly or wholly beyond the corporate limits of the city, an application must be submitted to development services department for a written service contract between the city and all owners and recorded mortgagees and lienholders of such property to be entered into a written service contract.

Additionally, the owner agrees to construct all improvements on such property in accordance with all city codes and regulations, and to obtain all city permits as though said property were inside the city, and to allow inspections of all construction by duly authorized inspectors or representatives of city departments charged with enforcement of city codes. Sec 55-113 and Sec 55-114 relate to city council approval for each contract for water service outside city limits and reconnects when outside city limits water service is terminated. Development Services is requesting an amendment to the language in

ordinance Sec 55-113 and Sec 55-114 to simplify the outside city limits water contract process for the development community and City staff. The amended language would not affect other provisions of city ordinances under Article VIII.-Water Service Outside City. Adoption of the new language would enable outside city limits water contracts to run with the land and eliminate the need for water contracts for individual lots within a subdivision.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Denial of the proposed amendment to the language would result in the continued use of the same inefficient and outdated administrative procedure to provide water service outside the city limits.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

This supports current and proposed residential growth outside the city limits within the greater Corpus Christi area.

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

These requirements are in compliance with the City Code of Ordinances.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-emergency

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Utilities and Finance Department stated no objections regarding the proposed language amendment.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

☐ Operating      ☐ Revenue      ☐ Capital      X Not Applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2018-2019</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures  (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

**Comments:** No fees are collected to process contracts.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Ordinance with Exhibit  
PowerPoint Presentation