

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

- FROM: The Office of the City Manager DATE: April 22, 2024
- **SUBJECT:** Consider Ordinance No. 3850 amending Chapter 78, Article II, Sections 78-62 and 78-63 of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances by adopting the 2024 Water Conservation and Drought Contingency and Emergency Water Management Plans.
- **PRESENTER:** Kenneth Garvin, Public Works Utility Superintendent

SUMMARY:

City Council is being asked to consider Ordinance No. 3850 amending Chapter 78, Sections 78-62 and 78-63 of the Code of Ordinances, by adopting the city's 2024 Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plans.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

In December of 2012, the Texas Administrative Code Title 30, Chapter 288 became effective, and the amended code required municipal governments to create and submit Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plans to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The regulations required that both municipal plans be updated and adopted on a five-year basis to coincide with the regional water planning process. The city has updated both plans which are attached to this agenda item. The water usage restrictions in the current city code are not being revised.

The proposed changes update current system data, key staff contact information, revised TCEQ forms, and utility profile data for both the cities of North Richland Hills and Watauga. Other updates are provided by the City of Fort Worth, our wholesale water provider. All wholesale water customers are required to meet their wholesale provider's plans as a minimum. The proposed plans will bring North Richland Hills into compliance with Fort Worth's minimum requirements. The proposed changes are minor and are administrative in nature, and staff is not proposing any revisions that are not required by either the city's wholesale provider or the State.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Ordinance No. 3850, amending Chapter 78, Sections 78-62 and 78-63 of the North Richland Hills Code of Ordinances by adopting the city's 2024 Water Conservation and Drought Contingency and Emergency Water Management Plans.