

RESOLUTION NO. 3992

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COALINGA CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING A CONSTRUCTION WATER POLICY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Coalinga desires to establish an updated policy in regard to the implementation and execution of the construction meter policy as there have been a long period since the original implementation, and it no longer reflects best practices.

WHEREAS, section 6-49.(f) for the Coalinga Municipal Code "Water Meters", construction meter policy and related fees are to be adopted by the City Council by resolution, and copies of such rules and regulation and regulations and future charges shall be maintained at all times in the Office of the City Clerk and shall be available for inspection by the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council adopts the following policy regarding construction meters:

Policy Objective:

It will be the policy of the City of Coalinga to allow the use of potable water for construction purposes within the City's Water service area, so far as the water infrastructure is available. Use of construction meters outside of Coalinga's Water Service area may be permissible in circumstances that meet the requirements later described in this document.

Policy:

All construction water should be viewed as non-potable as the City of Coalinga cannot guarantee its potability once it has left its distribution system and entered a foreign reservoir, pipeline, or any vessel.

The use of construction water, for any construction project related to the City of Coalinga or not and with the City's water service area, will be permitted once the appropriate application documents have been filled and the applicable fees have been paid by the applicant. Approvals for construction water must come from both the Public Works Department and the Finance Department. The Public Works Department will be responsible for establishing the method of water use measurement, collecting periodic water use data for billing purposes, delivering and receiving the water meter, returning any or partial deposit to the applicant when the job is complete.

Construction water will only be allowed when the following conditions are met:

1. An Application is submitted to City Hall or submitted via email.
2. Before any water service is established, the applicant shall pay a deposit in the amount of \$1,200.00 including a \$75.00 set-up fee to the City of Coalinga, at the time of application.

3. Service for construction water will be established within 2-3 business days for the applicant to use for the duration of the project. Set-up fees are non-refundable. Deposits will be refundable only when the meter is found to be in a satisfactory condition at the end of its use, as determined by the City and when the water bill is paid in full as determined by the Finance Department.

The rules below shall be followed by the applicant while using City of Coalinga construction water:

Failure to follow any of these rules, as witnessed and verified by any citizen or employee, will result in the discontinuance of use of the water until measures are taken by the applicant and agreed to by the City. This includes possible loss of initial deposit. There will be no warning of these rules violations.

- Construction water will only be allowed in the vehicles or new pipelines when proper cross-connection control devices are utilized.
- Only City owned water meters will be allowed for use to measure water.
- Only currently accepted fire hydrants on the City distribution system will be allowed to have construction water withdrawn. In specific cases outside the City where there are no hydrants, special arrangements will be made with the Public Works Department. An additional deposit, set by the City, for each special arrangement will be made by the applicant for any modification made to the City appurtenances.
- The City reserves the right to charge a monthly rental fee for any construction water meter. A rental fee of \$100.00 per month will be charged after ninety (90) calendar days from the date the construction water meter is obtained by the applicant. This fee will be added to the applicant's water usage bill. The City further reserves the right to determine when a rental fee will begin after the ninety (90) calendar days.
- Water truck load counts will only be allowed when all City owned hydrant meters are not available for use. Specific arrangements for load counts must be made at the time of filing an application for construction water with the City.
- Once a hydrant meter is received by the applicant to use, it will be the applicant's responsibility to care for the meter until it is returned to the City.
- Only appropriate wrenches, spanner wrenches, will be allowed for the operation of the hydrant valve. Any damage to the fire hydrant appurtenance caused by use or misuse by the applicant will be repaired by the City at the expense of the applicant.
- The Public Works Department reserves the right to dictate where construction water will be withdrawn.
- Once a hydrant meter has been installed at a service location, it cannot be moved to another location until a request is received from the applicant and approved by the Public Works Department.
- At the conclusion of use, it will be the applicant's responsibility to notify the Public Works as such.
- It will be the applicant's responsibility to monitor and maintain a clean construction water withdrawal site. This shall include cleaning any City right-of-way affected using construction water of mud and other debris. It will also affect any damage to curb and gutter, or street caused using construction water.
- Applicant will exercise caution when withdrawing water through the hydrant to

minimize any effects of water hammer caused by operation of the fire hydrant.

The use of construction water outside Coalinga's water service area may be permitted when specific circumstances dictate the necessity. This arrangement must be made at the time of application and requires approval from the Public Works Department, Finance Department, and the City Manager.

These circumstances include but are not limited to:

- Natural Disaster
- Fire
- Health and Safety

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the City of Coalinga City Council at a regularly scheduled meeting held on December 3, 2020 regular meeting by the following vote:

AYES: Adkisson, Ramsey, Singleton, Stolz, Lander

NOES: None

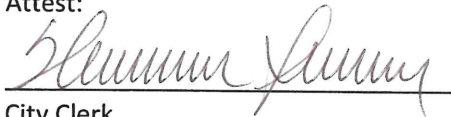
ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None



Mayor/Mayor Pro-Tem – City of Coalinga

Attest:



City Clerk