CITY OF LAKE ELMO COUNTY OF WASHINGTON STATE OF MINNESOTA

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAKE ELMO CITY CODE BY AMENDING THE PERMANENT WATER USE RESTICTIONS

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Lake Elmo hereby amends Title 5 Public Works; Chapter 5.04: Water, Section 5.04.180 Water Use Restrictions is hereby amended by changing the following section (Proposed language is underlined; deleted language is shown with strikethrough):

5.04.180(b) Permanent water use restrictions

Permanent water use restrictions. To ensure the availability of essential water and fire protection, encourage water conservation and allow flexibility in the city's water system in meeting peak demands, and to reduce the required water supply and storage capacity requirements allowing for a lower cost water system, certain limitations must be placed on the city's water supply.

- 1. <u>Water Odd/even sprinkling ban.Irrigation Zones.</u> Property owners having even numbered postal addresses may water, sprinkle, or irrigate their lawns only on even numbered days, and property owners having odd numbered postal addresses may water, sprinkle, or irrigate their lawns only on odd numbered daysProperty owners in Zone A may water, sprinkle or irrigate on Mondays and Fridays. Property owners in Zone B may water, sprinkle, or irrigate on Tuesdays and Fridays. Property owners in Zone C may water, sprinkle or irrigate on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Property owners in Zone D may water, sprinkle, or irrigate on Thursdays and Sundays. A map depicting the zones will be maintained by the Public Works Department and appear on the City's website.
- 2. *Time of day sprinkling ban*. All property owners are prohibited from watering, sprinkling, or irrigating their lawns between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 56:00 p.m. daily.
- 3. Exceptions. The permanent water use restrictions do not apply in the following situations:
 - 1. Private wells.
 - 2. Recently established lawns if permission is granted through a watering restriction waiver form, allowing daily watering for up to 1530 days after installation. Watering must still adhere to the restricted hours for the time of day sprinkling ban. New sod or seeded lawns or other landscaping requiring watering, sprinkling, or irrigation, shall not be installed during a water shortage emergency.
 - 3. Attended hand-watering of plants, shrubs, trees, and gardens.

SECTION 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and publication in the official newspaper of the City of Lake Elmo.

SECTION 3. Adoption Date. This Ordinance 2023-010 was adopted on this _______ day of _______, 2023, by a vote of _5 Ayes and ______ Nays.

LAKE ELMO CITY COUNCIL

Charles Cadenhead, Mayor

ATTEST:
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Julie Johnson, City Clerk

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