

# **RESOLUTION 2017**

## **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE SAVING WATER PARTNERSHIP WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOAL**

**WHEREAS**, the Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1338 in 2003, better known as the Municipal Water Law, to address the increasing demand on our state's water resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the law established that all municipal water suppliers must use water more efficiently in exchange for water right certainty and flexibility to help them meet future demands, and directing the Department of Health to adopt an enforceable Water Use Efficiency Program, which became effective on January 22, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, the Water Use Efficiency Program states, "you must set your own goals through a public process [WAC 246-290-830(4)(a)]," the deadline for the first goal being January 22, 2008, for municipal water suppliers with 1,000 or more connections; and

**WHEREAS**, the most recent goals were adopted by Resolution 1949 on September 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's current water use efficiency goals are to 1) reduce the average day demand per equivalent residential unit by 0.75% per year over the next ten years, and 2) reduce distribution system leakage to ten percent by the year 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Water Use Efficiency Program states that goals must be evaluated and reestablished at least every 10 years [WAC 246-290-830(7)]; and

**WHEREAS**, goals may consist of demand side (customer) and production side goals; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 20, 2021, the North Bend City Council voted to approve a contract to join the Saving Water Partnership ("the SWP"), administered by Seattle Public Utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the conditions of the agreement to join the SWP is to adopt the water use efficiency goals of the SWP; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was conducted on April 19, 2022, to obtain public comment on these water use efficiency goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Bend City Council wishes to maintain the existing goals and to adopt the SWP water use efficiency goal;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The City’s demand side goal of reducing average day demand per equivalent residential unit by 0.75% per year over the next ten years and the City’s production side goal of reducing distribution system leakage to ten percent by the year 2026 are hereby maintained.

**Section 2.** The goal of the Saving Water Partnership for 2019-2028 to “keep the total average annual retail water use of the members of the Saving Water Partnership under 110 million gallons a day (MGD) through 2028, despite forecasted population growth, by reducing per capita water use” is hereby adopted.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH BEND, WASHINGTON, AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF, THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022.**

**CITY OF NORTH BEND:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**Rob McFarland, Mayor**

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**Michael R. Kenyon, City Attorney**

**ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:**

Effective: April 19, 2022  
Posted: April 20, 2022

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**Susie Oppedal, City Clerk**