

**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION ON SECURING THE FUTURE BY IMPROVING WATER MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROMOTING WATER CONSERVATION IN CENTRAL TEXAS AND THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER BASIN.**

**WHEREAS**, The Highland Lakes are the primary water supply for Central Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, It is projected that Central Texas could add up to 1 million new residents by 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, More arid weather conditions shifting eastward to include Texas have led the state climatologist to observe that sustained drought conditions could become permanent; and

**WHEREAS**, Current water inflows into the Highland Lake continue to decline with most monthly totals lower than the average for the historic drought record; and

**WHEREAS**, The current Water Management Plan is in need of modernization to reflect the region's paradigm shift of increasing water needs and drier weather patterns; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, That the City Council of the City of Pflugerville hereby requests:

1. That the LCRA work with local leaders and stakeholder organizations to update the Water Management Plan to reflect a more protective approach to managing the Highland Lakes;
2. That updates to the Water Management Plan reflect current scientific data, take into account the steady decline in water flowing into the Highland Lakes, includes rates that encourage conservation and prepare for greatly increased water demands in Central Texas;
3. That the LCRA should address the proliferation of stock ponds, alluvial wells and other reservoirs diverting water away from Highland Lakes throughout the region;
4. The LCRA with other agencies should facilitate smart water use that includes the implementation of modern and efficient water use practices in large irrigation settings suitable to an arid climate; and
5. That the LCRA expand public input opportunities and establish advisory committees of local officials, business leaders, stakeholder organizations and area residents to foster an increased opportunity for open discussion and collaboration on issues that affect the water supply and economy for almost 2 million Central Texans.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS:**

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

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Victor Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Trista Evans, City Secretary