

**WEST SLOPE WATER DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION # 09-2022

**A RESOLUTION UPDATING THE FIRE HYDRANT USE REGULATIONS POLICY**

WHEREAS the staff of West Slope Water District (the "District"); has recommended to the Board of Commissioners that the Fire Hydrant Use Permit and Regulations policy be updated to include more specific regulations relating to the nonemergency use of fire hydrants within the District, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that the recommended updated policy is in the best interests of the District, and that the Fire Hydrant Use Permit and Regulations policy should be updated accordingly.

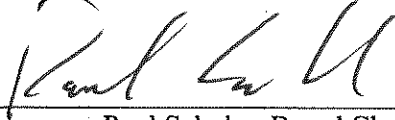
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE WEST SLOPE WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The updated West Slope Water District Fire Hydrant Use Permit and Regulations policy, "Exhibit A", a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, consisting of two (2) pages, be adopted, and


Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED THIS 17TH DAY OF AUGUST 2022.

**WEST SLOPE WATER DISTRICT**

By   
Paul Schuler, Board Chair

ATTEST:

By   
Susan Meamber, Treasurer



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**PERMIT FOR FIRE HYDRANT USE**

(see "Schedule of Rates" for current Permit Fee, Consumption Rate, & Meter Deposit)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Billing Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Hydrant Activity Use**

Contractor/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

COB License # \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle License # \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Hydrant to be used \_\_\_\_\_

Est. Begin Date \_\_\_\_\_ Est. End Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Hydrant Meter**

(Deposit Required for use of District Meter)

Hydrant Meter Serial # \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Beginning Read \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ending Read \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that I will be personally liable for all damages and claims arising from my use of the hydrant, including claims for personal injury and property damage. I further agree to indemnify the West Slope Water District for any damages or claims arising from my use of the hydrant.

I understand that the hydrant meter must be installed and removed by West Slope Water District personnel or by a licensed contractor.

I certify that I have read and understand the following terms and conditions regarding fire hydrant use within the West Slope Water District, and that my use of the hydrant will follow the regulations listed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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**District Use Only:** Permit fee received: date \_\_\_\_\_ method of payment \_\_\_\_\_

Meter deposit received: date \_\_\_\_\_ method of payment \_\_\_\_\_

## **FIRE HYDRANT USE REGULATIONS**

Fire Hydrants are a device attached to the Water Mains, and their sole purpose is to fight fires. The standard policy is that only District employees or members of a Fire Department or their authorized personnel shall be permitted to connect to and use Fire Hydrants for the express purpose of fighting fires and for checking and servicing the Hydrants.

In cases where it may be necessary to use a Fire Hydrant for a cause other than fighting fires it will be necessary to obtain a Use Permit from the Water District office. Permits are issued only during regular business hours and the Water District reserves the right to qualify the requested use. The following terms and conditions regarding nonemergency use of a District fire hydrant must be followed:

1. A completed and signed Hydrant Permit must be submitted along with the applicable nonrefundable fee before a hydrant meter will be issued.
2. A meter deposit must be paid along with the permit fee to cover the replacement cost of the meter if it were to be damaged or stolen. Applicable water consumption fees based on meter readings will be charged and then subtracted from the deposit with the remaining balance refunded upon the return of the meter.
3. The meter can only be installed and removed by District personnel or a licensed contractor.
4. Only a Hydrant wrench can be used to open or close the Hydrant or to remove the Hydrant Port Caps.
5. The Hydrant valve cannot be used to regulate the flow of water but must be turned full on.
6. A Chapman type valve is required at the Hydrant Port or hose nozzle. No quick on / quick off valves are allowed.
7. Only a fire hose no larger than 2 inches is allowed.
8. The Fire Hydrant will be closed immediately if a fire siren should be heard or if there is a fire in the general area.

The Permit Holder must use the Fire Hydrant in strict accordance with directions provided by the Water District. Failure to comply may result in the revocation of the Permit and possible damage charges from the improper use of the Hydrant.

The Permit Holder's truck or trucks must be inspected by this office to guarantee a proper backflow prevention device is on the truck and is properly installed. Call this office to make an appointment for this inspection. A copy of the latest test report for the backflow device should accompany the truck.

Per the Oregon Water Resources Department, the Permit Holder must provide the vehicle license number for nongovernment or noncontractor use of water obtained from the district's Fire Hydrants.

