

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF FULTON

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110 OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS  
CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING WATER USAGE RESTRICTIONS AS  
REQUIRED BY STATE LAW**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sandy Springs (“City”) is charged with the power to protect the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has heretofore adopted an ordinance for Water Conservation, as set forth in Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City (the “Code”); and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Georgia has adopted Senate Bill 370 (2010), entitled “Water Stewardship Act,” which requires every local government to adopt certain restrictions and exemptions thereto to outdoor water use by January 1, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council, in an effort to comply with state law, as well as continue to provide for the health, safety and welfare of its population, and for the purposes of proper sustainability, desires to amend Chapter 110 of the Code to include the outdoor water usage restrictions designated herein.

**THEREFORE**, the Mayor and City Council hereby ordain the following:

**Section 1:** Chapter 110 of the Code is amended to revise Article II (Specific Water Conservation Requirements), by adding Section 110-6.1 (Water Stewardship Restrictions) to read as follows:

**Sec. 110-6.1. Water Stewardship Restrictions.**

- (a) Persons may irrigate outdoors daily for purposes of planting, growing, managing, or maintaining ground cover, trees, shrubs, or other plants only between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this Section shall not create any limitations upon the following outdoor water uses:
  - (1) Commercial agricultural operations as defined in O.C.G.A. § 1-3-3;
  - (2) Capture and reuse of cooling system condensate or storm water in compliance with applicable City regulations and state guidelines;
  - (3) Reuse of gray water in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 31-3-5.2 and applicable Fulton County Board of Health regulations adopted pursuant thereto;
  - (4) Use of reclaimed waste water by a designated user from a system permitted by the Environmental Protection Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to provide reclaimed waste water;
  - (5) Irrigation of personal food gardens;

- (6) Irrigation of new and replanted plant, seed, or turf in landscapes, golf courses, or sports turf fields during installation and for a period of thirty (30) days immediately following the date of installation;
- (7) Drip irrigation or irrigation using soaker hoses;
- (8) Handwatering with a hose with automatic cutoff or handheld container;
- (9) Use of water withdrawn from private water wells or surface water by an owner or operator of property if such well or surface water is on said property;
- (10) Irrigation of horticultural crops held for sale, resale, or installation;
- (11) Irrigation of athletic fields, golf courses, or public turf grass recreational areas;
- (12) Installation, maintenance, or calibration of irrigation systems; or
- (13) Hydroseeding.

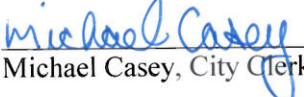
**Section 2:** This Amendment shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the City Council, and shall be incorporated into the. This Amendment hereby repeals any and all conflicting ordinances and amendments.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2010.

Approved:

  
Eva Galambos, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Michael Casey, City Clerk

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