



# CITY OF EVERMAN

212 North Race Street Everman, TX 76140

## STAFF REPORT

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**AGENDA TITLE:** ORDINANCE NO. 848 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS ADOPTING AN UPDATED DROUGHT CONTINGENCY AND EMERGENCY WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN; AMENDING CHAPTER 20, "UTILITIES" OF THE EVERMAN CODE BY ADOPTING A NEW ARTICLE X, "DROUGHT CONTINGENCY/WATER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN"; AMENDING CHAPTER 20 BY ADOPTING A NEW ARTICLE XI "LAWN AND LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION"; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**MEETING DATE:** March 10, 2026

**PREPARED BY:** Gilberto Ramirez – Director of Public Works

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approval

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Everman maintains an interlocal agreement with Fort Worth for the provision of shared services and/or regional cooperation (as applicable to your agreement).

As part of that agreement, Everman is required to formally adopt, periodically review, and update specific policies or regulatory provisions by ordinance to ensure continued compliance with regional standards and contractual obligations.

The proposed ordinance represents the required periodic review and re-adoption of those provisions. This action ensures that the City remains in full compliance with the terms of the interlocal agreement and maintains eligibility to continue receiving services and benefits under that agreement.

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### **PURPOSE OF THE ORDINANCE**

The purpose of this ordinance is to:

- Formally re-adopt and update required regulatory provisions
- Incorporate any statutory or administrative updates since the previous adoption
- Ensure consistency with the current interlocal agreement
- Maintain compliance with regional operational standards
- Protect the City's continued participation in the agreement

This review confirms that the City's adopted standards remain aligned with the operational, financial, and administrative framework required by the agreement.

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## **DISCUSSION**

Periodic review of this ordinance is required under the terms of the interlocal agreement to ensure:

- Continued regulatory alignment
- Updated references to applicable laws or codes
- Consistency with operational practices
- Avoidance of any lapse in contractual compliance

Failure to periodically re-adopt and update this ordinance could place the City in non-compliance with the agreement and potentially jeopardize service continuity or partnership benefits.

Staff has reviewed the ordinance and determined that the proposed language:

- Reflects current legal requirements
- Aligns with the agreement provisions
- Maintains operational continuity
- Does not materially alter the City's obligations beyond what is already required under the agreement

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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Adoption of this ordinance does not create new financial obligations beyond those already established in the interlocal agreement.

Maintaining compliance avoids potential interruption of services or financial impacts that could result from non-compliance.

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## **STRATEGIC IMPACT**

Approval of this ordinance supports:

- Regional collaboration
- Operational continuity
- Responsible governance
- Contractual compliance
- Protection of essential services for residents

This action reinforces Everman's commitment to maintaining strong intergovernmental partnerships.

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## **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The ordinance has been prepared in accordance with:

- The terms of the interlocal agreement
- Applicable provisions of the Texas Local Government Code
- Applicable provisions of the Texas Government Code

Adoption by ordinance is required to maintain compliance.