

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEON VALLEY, TX, CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE LEON VALLEY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 14 UTILITIES, ARTICLE 14.11 WATER CONSERVATION AND DROUGHT MANAGEMENT, DIVISION 2. LANDSCAPE WATERING TO ADD SECTION 14.11.038 CONSERVATION PROGRAMS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING A NOTICE AND MEETING CLAUSE**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Leon Valley owns and operates a water system which relies on water supply from the Edwards Aquifer; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the goal of the City to conserve water usage as much as possible in order to preserve the delicate nature of the aquifer; and

**WHEREAS**, the City encourages its water customers to also conserve water and in order to provide incentives for conservation now wishes to create several conservation programs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEON VALLEY, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That Chapter 14 Utilities, Article 14.11 Water Conservation and Drought Management, Division 2. Landscape Watering, is here by amended to add a new Section 14.11.038 Conservation Programs as stated below:

“Section 14.11.038 Conservation Programs

The City of Leon Valley encourages its Leon Valley Water System water customers to reduce the use of water from the City’s water system by offering rebates for several conservation programs. The following rebate programs are promoted for water conservation:

- a. Toilet Rebate - Replacement of regular toilets with low flow toilets. Rebates are \$50 per toilet with a two-toilet maximum per household.
- b. Washing Machine - Replacement of older washing machines with high efficiency washing machines. Rebates are \$100 per washing machine per household.
- c. Rain Barrel Rebate - Installation of a rain barrel for landscape watering use. Customers may purchase a rain barrel at any store but must have the barrel installed and inspected by the City prior to a rebate being applied to their account. A one-time rebate of \$40 for one rain barrel per household is allowed.
- d. Xeriscape Rebate - Customer must install two hundred (200) square feet of xeriscape/hardscape plantings. Customer must take “before” pictures and City staff must inspect the site after xeriscaping is installed. Plantings must be proven to be drought tolerant. Customers are encouraged to refer to the wildscape and

xeriscape plant lists provided by the Texas A & M Agrilife Extension Service. The rebate is a one-time \$100 per xeriscaped area per household.

- e. Resident's water billing account must be in good standing and not past due before a rebate may be issued.
- f. Residents who installed a rain barrel or a xeriscape garden prior to the passage of this Ordinance may request a one-time rebate upon proof of purchase, installation, and inspection by City personnel."

**SECTION 2. REPEALER CLAUSE.** The provisions of the Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances or parts of ordinances governing or regulating the same subject matter as that covered herein, provided, however, that all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent that such inconsistency is apparent by any other ordinance.

**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as required by law.

**SECTION 4. NOTICE OF MEETING CLAUSE.** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.