

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08-01
A RESOLUTION OF THE HILDALE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING
THE HILDALE & COLORADO CITY WATER CONSERVATION PLAN
DATED FEBRUARY 27, 2026

WHEREAS, Hildale City (the "City") is a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Utah, and operates a public culinary water system serving the residents and property within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City is a "water provider" as defined in Utah Code § 73-10-32, and is therefore required to prepare, adopt, and file a water conservation plan with the Utah Division of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 73-10-32, commonly known as the Water Conservation Plan Act of 1998 (the "Act"), was enacted by the Utah Legislature in 1998 to require water providers to prepare, adopt, and maintain water conservation plans so that adequate supplies of water are available for future needs; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Plan has been developed by the City to comply with the requirements of the Act, Utah Code § 73-10-32, and the guidelines and technical resources provided by the Utah Division of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 73-10-32 requires that a water provider prepare and adopt a water conservation plan containing existing and proposed water conservation measures, a clearly stated overall water use reduction goal, an implementation plan with a timeline for action and an evaluation process, a notification procedure, and the water provider's current rate structure; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code § 73-10-32 further requires that a water provider hold a public hearing with reasonable advance public notice of at least fourteen (14) days before adopting or amending a water conservation plan, and that the minutes of the public hearing be appended to the plan; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared the Hildale & Colorado City Water Conservation Plan dated February 27, 2026 (the "Water Conservation Plan"), in coordination with Colorado City, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that a water provider update its water conservation plan no less frequently than every five (5) years, following the same public notice and hearing procedures required for initial adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Plan constitutes an update of the water conservation plan previously adopted by the Hildale City Council, and the City Council desires to adopt this updated Plan to maintain compliance with the five-year update requirement of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Water Conservation Plan and finds that adoption of the Water Conservation Plan is appropriate to satisfy the City's obligations under Utah Code § 73-10-32; and

WHEREAS, after notice was provided at least fourteen (14) days before the public hearing as required by Utah Code § 73-10-32, the City Council held a public hearing on August 12, 2026, regarding the Water

Conservation Plan, with the minutes of said hearing to be appended to the Water Conservation Plan as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that adoption of the Water Conservation Plan is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Hildale City and will help ensure adequate supplies of water are available for future needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Hildale City, State of Utah, as follows:

Section 1. Adoption of Water Conservation Plan. The Hildale City Council hereby adopts the Hildale & Colorado City Water Conservation Plan dated February 27, 2026, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference, as the official water conservation plan of Hildale City, for purposes of satisfying the City's obligations under Utah Code § 73-10-32 and as it applies to Hildale City and its culinary water system.

Section 2. Filing with Division of Water Resources. The Mayor, City Recorder, and appropriate City staff are hereby authorized and directed to file a copy of the Water Conservation Plan, together with all required appendices, with the Utah Division of Water Resources in accordance with Utah Code § 73-10-32.

Section 3. Public Availability. The City Recorder is hereby directed to post the Water Conservation Plan on the City's public website, or otherwise make the plan publicly available for inspection upon request, as required by Utah Code § 73-10-32(3)(c).

Section 4. Implementation Authority. The Mayor, City staff, and other City officials are hereby authorized to take all actions reasonably necessary to implement the water conservation measures described in the Water Conservation Plan, including the notification procedures, water use reduction goals, and implementation timelines set forth therein.

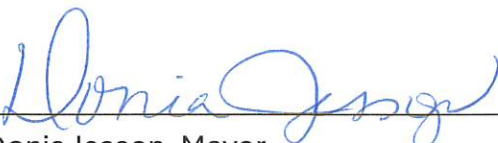
Section 5. Five-Year Update. The City Council acknowledges that Utah Code § 73-10-32(6) requires the City to update its water conservation plan no less frequently than every five (5) years, following the same public notice and hearing procedures required for initial adoption. The City Recorder is directed to calendar a review of the Water Conservation Plan no later than five (5) years from the date of this resolution.

Section 6. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this resolution, and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption by the Hildale City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Hildale City Council, State of Utah, on this12th day of August 2026.

HILDALE CITY

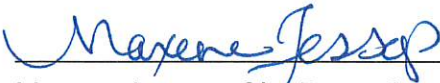


Donia Jessop, Mayor

Attest:

(SEAL)





Maxene Jessop, City Recorder

VOTE:

Official	Aye	Nay	Absent
Donia Jessop, Mayor			X
Terrill Musser	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Luke Merideth	X		
Lamont Black			X
Darlene Stubbs	X		

EXHIBIT A

Hildale & Colorado City Water Conservation Plan

Dated February 27, 2026

[Attached]

HILDALE & COLORADO CITY UTILITY DEPARTMENT (HCCUD)

WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

HCCUD WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

February 27, 2026

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1. INTRODUCTION AND WATER GOALS

1.1. INTRODUCTION

The Hildale Colorado City 2025 Water Conservation Plan has been prepared to comply with The Utah Water Conservation Plan Act of 1998 amended in 2004 with House Bill 71 Section 73-10-32. The act requires water conservancy districts and water retailers to file a Water Conservation Plan (WCP) with the Utah Board of Water Resources and ensure that it is updated every five years. This update outlines Hildale Colorado City's current water conservation efforts and presents its current conservation goals.

1.2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Hildale City is located along Highway 59 in Washington County in southwestern Utah. The Town of Colorado City is neighboring Hildale, just across the border in Mohave County, Arizona. The water system is shared and funded by both communities and is operated and maintained by the Hildale & Colorado City Utility Department (HCCUD) through an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA). This plan was created with coordination from staff from Hildale City, the Town of Colorado City and the HCCUD. HCCUD maintains its own water system which includes approximately 1,020 residential connections and 118 commercial connections in both states. HCCUD also has 19 industrial connections and 41 institutional connections as of 2024. Water is provided by a combination of wells and springs providing the city approximately 1,234 gallons of water per minute or 1,990 acre-ft a year. The system currently has 4 storage tanks with a total of 2,460,000 gallons of storage capacity. The existing service area map from the Water Master Plan by Sunrise Engineering is provided in Appendix A.

The data provided in the report is obtained mainly from the Hildale City and Town of Colorado City Culinary Water Master Plan (WMP) Update by Sunrise Engineering dated January 2024 and the Division of Water Rights website (UDWR). Additional information was also obtained from HCCUD staff.

1.3. HILDALE COLORADO CITY POPULATION

The population for the City of Hildale and the Town of Colorado City widely varies depending on the source. Three sources for population were evaluated. These sources include U.S Government Censuses (U.S. Census Bureau), the most recent WMP dated January 2024, and the Division of Water Rights Public Water Supplier Information. The population for years 2009 through 2024 is presented in Table 1 for each source.

Table 1 - Population Data

Year	Population (WMP)	Population (Gov. Census)	Population (Division of Water Rights)
2009	6603	7547	N/A
2010	7547	7382	N/A
2011	7572	7499	N/A
2012	7613	7604	N/A
2013	7605	7665	N/A
2014	7597	7710	N/A
2015	7580	7734	N/A
2016	7572	7730	6100
2017	7240	7725	5800
2018	7032	7741	6000
2019	7032	7746	6000
2020	7032	7794	4100
2021	7519	3813	7000
2022	7802	3704	4500
2023	8582	3899	5000
2024	9440	N/A	5000

Data was not available for years 2009 to 2015 for the Division of Water Rights and population data for year 2024 was not available from the U.S Government Census. Starting in 2020 the data varies greater as shown in Figure 1.

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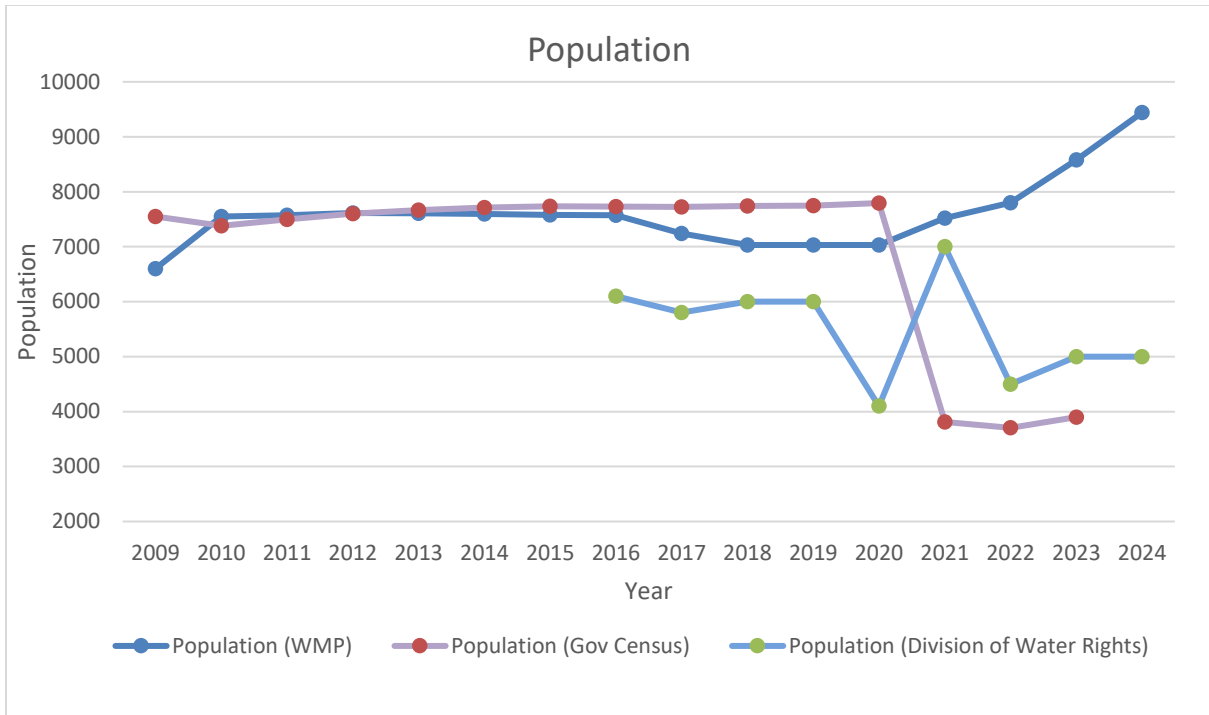


Figure 1 - Population Data Trend

1.4. WATER CONSERVATION GOAL

The Utah Division of Water Resources (DWRe) currently leads statewide efforts for municipal and industrial water conservation. Utah's previous statewide goal for conservation was 25% from 2005 to 2025. Significant progress has been made to that goal and as such the DWRe has created regional conservation goals based on the various climates, populations, and water use practices in different areas of the state. The regional goal for the Lower Colorado River South region is a reduction of 14% from the 2015 baseline by 2030, which equates to an average usage of 262 gallons per capita per day (gpcd).

The Hildale City and Colorado City Public Water System currently show to be far below the regional goal with an average usage from 2014 to 2024 of 145 gpcd. The gallons per capita per day usage was determined for each population source discussed in Section 1.3 and then averaged between the three sources for each year evaluated. Further discussion on water usage is provided in Section 4. The low usage is mainly due to the City of Hildale and Town of Colorado City having been on water restrictions for approximately the past 5 summers. Though average water usage is far below the recommended goal of 262, in effort to provide the most efficient water system, the HCCUD system goal will be to reduce usage per capita per day at 0.5% per year. This results in gallons per capita usage of 141 by year 2030.

2. SYSTEM PROFILE AND SUPPLY INFORMATION

2.2 WATER CONNECTIONS

In 2024 HCCUD reported the following connections: 1020 residential, 118 commercial, 19 industrial, and 41 institutional. Previous years are shown in Table 1. Usage is provided in terms of an Equivalent Residential Connection (ERC). For this data set, one ERC equals 846 gallons per day as stated in the Water Master Plan. The average number of people in a household in Hildale and Colorado City is much larger than the average household in the State of Utah and the State of Arizona explaining the larger gallons per day use per ERC, e.g. Hildale's household size is 8.17 persons, compared to Utah average of 2.99 persons [U.S Census]).

Table 2 – HCCUD Service Connections

Year	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Institutional	Total	ERC Value
2024	1020	118	19	41	1198	1488.15
2023	988	114	22	40	1164	1244.9
2022	939	98	28	48	1113	1214
2021	753	79	11	29	872	945.03
2020	703	85	28	20	836	894.12
2019	728	69	16	16	829	1224.09
2018	833	81	43	16	973	996.35
2017	958	80	27	33	1098	1157.5
2016	955	74	22	29	1080	1069.92

2.3 WATER SOURCES

2.1.1. EXISTING WATER SOURCES

HCCUD is sourced by a combination of wells and springs. There are currently 10 wells in service and 2 springs that provide the community with a total of 1,234 gallons per minute of water. Source data from the Hildale City and Town of Colorado City Master Plan dated January 2024 is provided in Table 2.

Table 3 – HCCUD Existing Sources

Name/#	Flows (CFS)	Flow (gpm)
Wells		
Well 4	0.265	119
Well 8	0.134	60
Well 10	0.189	85

Name/#	Flows (CFS)	Flow (gpm)
Well 11	0.178	80
Well 17	0.223	100
Well 19	0.223	100
Well 21	0.446	200
Well 22	0.223	100
Well 24	0.178	80
Academy	0.512	230
Well Subtotal	2.571	1154
Springs		
Jans Canyon	0.036	16
Maxwell	0.143	64
Spring Subtotal	0.178	80
Total	2.75	1234

2.1.2. FUTURE WATER SOURCES

Based on the HCCUD WMP the current required source capacity is 1,700 gpm resulting in a deficit of 466 gpm. This deficit is expected to grow over the next 20 years if future sources are not added to the system. The WMP details out the HCCUD plan to add additional sources over the next 20 years. There are 16 wells planned for the first 5 years. Years 6-10 anticipate the construction of 16 more wells. Years 11 to 20 could see approximately 34 additional wells drilled. These additional sources are detailed in Table 3.

Table 4 – HCCUD Future Water Sources

Name/#	Flow (CFS)	Flow (gpm)	Year
Wells			
Treatment Plant Shallow	0.178	80	2024
Treatment Plant Deep	0.267	120	2024
1-5 year AZ well Field	1.872	840	2026
1-5 Year UT well Field	1.872	840	2026
6-10 Year AZ Well Field	2.139	960	2033
6-10 Year UT Well Field	2.139	960	2033
Trailhead Well 1	0.39	175	2034
Trailhead Well 2	0.39	175	2034
Hildale Groundwater Project PH I	0.78	350	2035
Hildale Groundwater Project PH II	0.78	350	2036
11-20 Year AZ Well Field	3.743	1680	2039
11-20 Year UT Well Field	3.743	1680	2039
Hildale Groundwater Project PH III	0.39	175	2040
Total	18.683	8385	

The *Treatment Plan Shallow* and *Treatment Plant Deep* were drilled in 2024 and were designated as Wells 25 and 26, however they are not currently equipped at the time of this report. For more details regarding the future water source, the WMP should be referenced.

3. BILLING

3.1. CURRENT WATER RATE STRUCTURE

To encourage water conservation, the HCCUD uses a tiered structure for billing, the more water that is used, the more it costs per thousand gallons. The current water rate structure is provided in Table 4.

Table 5 – HCCUD Culinary Water Rate Structure

Base Rate Per Month (The base rate applies whether the water meter is active or inactive.)	
3/4" Meter	\$38.50
1" Meter	\$64.00
1 1/2" Meter	\$128.50
2" Meter	\$205.50
Monthly Usage Per 1000 Gallons for a 3/4" Meter	
0-15,000 Gallons	\$1.50
15,001-30,000 Gallons	\$1.85
30,001-50,000 Gallons	\$2.00
50,001+ Gallons	\$2.75
Monthly Usage Per 1000 Gallons for a 1" Meter	
0-20,000 Gallons	\$1.50
20,001-45,000 Gallons	\$2.00
45,001-100,000 Gallons	\$2.75
100,001+ Gallons	\$3.50
Monthly Usage Per 1000 Gallons for a 1 1/2" Meter	
0-35,000 Gallons	\$1.50
35,001-55,000 Gallons	\$2.00
55,001-125,000 Gallons	\$2.75
125,001+ Gallons	\$3.50
Monthly Usage Per 1000 Gallons for a 2" Meter	
0-55,000 Gallons	\$2.50
55,001-90,000 Gallons	\$2.80
90,001-200,000 Gallons	\$3.50
200,001+ Gallons	\$5.50

3.2. IMPACT FEES

To fund additional needed improvements such as the future added sources, impact fees were adopted in 2024 for both Hildale City and the Town of Colorado City, according to the respective state criteria. The following Tables 5 and 6 detail the impact fees for both.

Table 6 - Colorado City Impact Fees

Meter Size	ERUs	Impact Fee
5/8" & 3/4"	1.00	\$11,807.00
1"	1.78	\$20,990.22
1-1/2"	4.00	\$47,22.00
2"	7.11	\$83,960.89
3"	16.00	\$188,912.00
4"	28.44	\$335,843.56
6"	64.00	\$755,648.00

Table 7 - Hildale City Impact Fees

Meter Size	ERUs	Impact Fee
5/8" & 3/4"	1.00	\$12,580.00
1"	1.78	\$22,364.44
1-1/2"	4.00	\$50,320.00
2"	7.11	\$89,457.78
3"	16.00	\$201,280.00
4"	28.44	\$357,831.11
6"	64.00	\$805,120.00

4. WATER USE AND MEASUREMENT

4.1. WATER MEASUREMENT PRACTICES

All connections are metered and are read monthly. There are master meters on all the sources that are also read monthly. There is currently no calibration schedule for meters.

4.2. CURRENT AND HISTORICAL WATER USE

The HCCUD system consists of residential, commercial, industrial and institutional use. There are no Stock, other and unmetered connections reported by HCCUD. In 2024 Hildale reported total of 1,109.47 acre-feet of water. Residential connections used 760.44 acre-feet, commercial connections used 137.45 acre-feet, industrial connections used 7.91 acre-feet, and institutional

connections used 203.66 acre-feet. Table 7 shows the water use by connection type from 2009 to 2024. Water use before 2009 was not available.

Table 8 – HCCUD Historical Water Use by Connection Type

Year	Residential (AF)	Commercial (AF)	Industrial (AF)	Institutional (AF)	Total (AF)	Total (1000 Gal)
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,341	437122
2010	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,311	427326
2011	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,366	445077
2012	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,549	504625
2013	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,476	480866
2014	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,449	472258
2015	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,312	427401
2016	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,277	416009
2017	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,193	388739
2018	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	930	303105
2019	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	773	251780
2020	533	60	312	68	972	285109
2021	765	77	17	88	947	279736
2022	748	93	17	94	951	309026
2023	708	85	13	63	869	283079
2024	852	116	10	58	1,035	337351

The gallons per capita usage is dependent on the source of population that is used, therefore the per capita usage was evaluated for each source of population data discussed in Section 1.3 and then averaged between them as shown in Table 9.

Table 9 - Per Capita Usage

Year	Total Usage (1000 Gal)	GPCD (WMP)	GPCD (Gov Census)	GPCD (Division of Water Rights)	Average GPCD
2009	437122	181	159	N/A	170
2010	427326	155	159	N/A	157
2011	445077	161	163	N/A	162
2012	504625	182	182	N/A	182
2013	480866	173	172	N/A	173
2014	472258	170	168	N/A	169
2015	427401	154	151	N/A	153
2016	416009	151	147	187	162

Year	Total Usage (1000 Gal)	GPCD (WMP)	GPCD (Gov Census)	GPCD (Division of Water Rights)	Average GPCD
2017	388739	147	138	184	156
2018	303105	118	107	138	121
2019	251780	98	89	115	101
2020	285109	111	100	191	134
2021	279736	102	201	109	137
2022	309026	109	229	188	175
2023	283079	90	199	155	148
2024	337351	98	N/A	185	142

The average per capita usage for the past 10 years (2014 to 2024) is 145 gpcd, far below the Regional Goal of 262. As discussed in Section 1.4, the City of Hildale and Town of Colorado City have been under water restrictions for approximately the past five years, explaining the abnormally low water use in the more recent years. Based on average water use over the past decade, maintaining a 0.5% annual reduction makes the 2030 target of 141 gpcd achievable as strict water restrictions are lifted. The following Figure 2 shows the typical trend of the per capita water use for each of the population sources. The dashed purple line is showing the average between all population sources.

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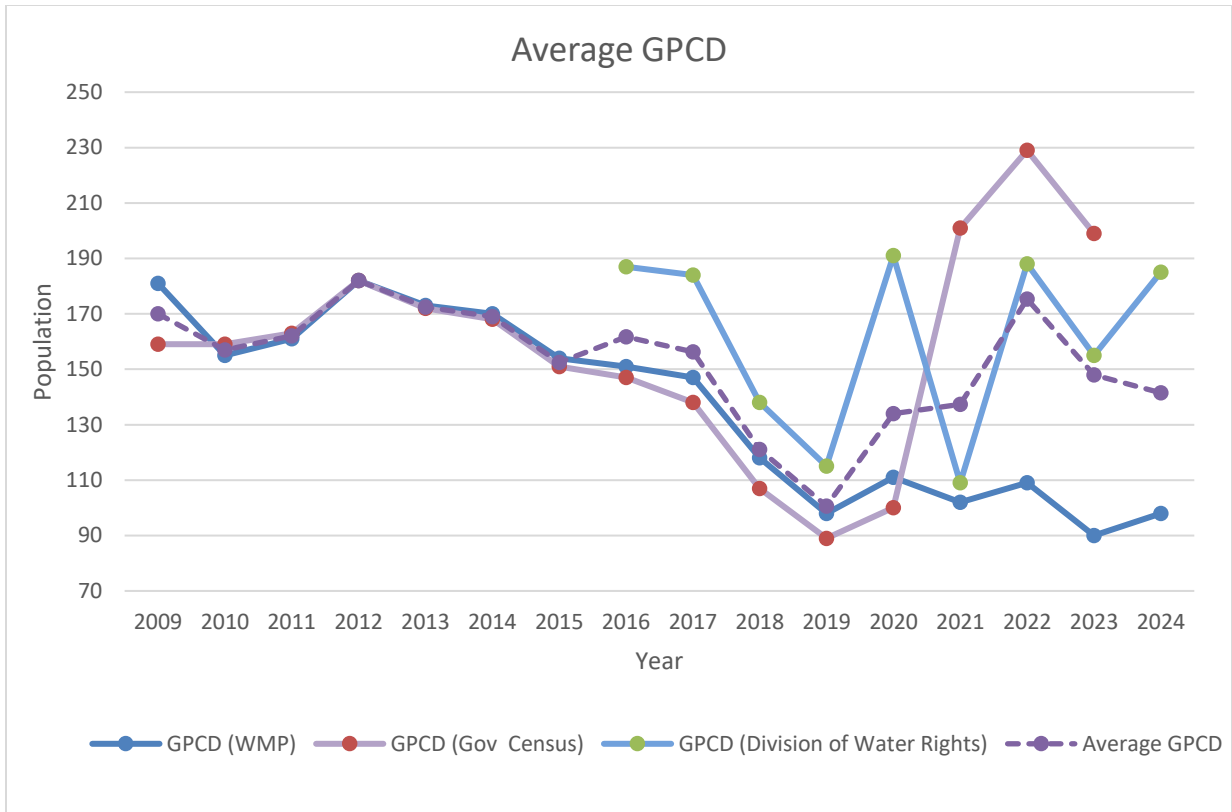


Figure 2 - Per Capita Usage Trend

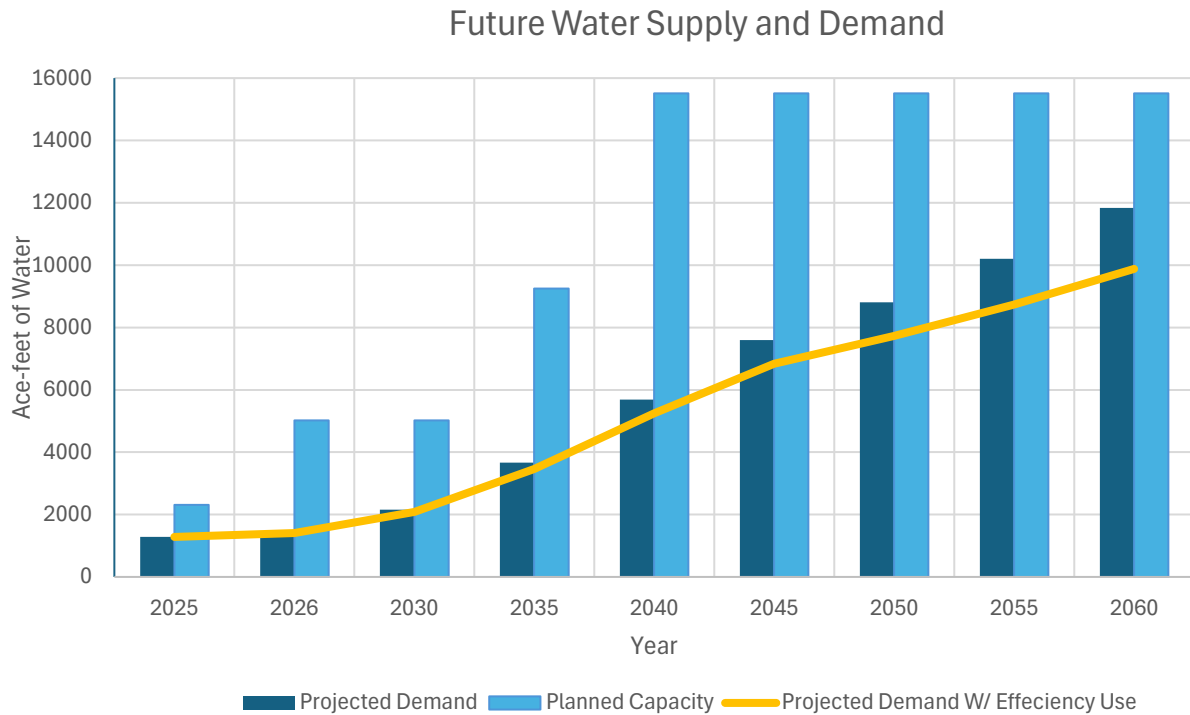
4.3. SYSTEM WATER LOSS

Between 2016 and 2024 Hildale Colorado City experienced an average of 20.8 percent unaccounted-for water based on the Division of Water Rights Hildale-Colorado City system information website. Potential reasons for unaccounted-for water may vary, including leaks from various infrastructure, water theft, and water meter inaccuracies. When a source of water loss is made known, Hildale takes appropriate actions to correct the problem. Estimated water loss from the Division of Water Rights is calculated from user-reported data is provided for convenience only. This information does not constitute as a formal water loss study conducted in accordance with AWWA standards.

4.4. SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Hildale and Colorado City are expecting significant growth in future years. The current water sources producing 1,234 gallons per minute will not be enough despite conservation efforts. With the projected growth of both Hildale and Colorado City, the water source will need to be increased to sustain the projected usage as discussed in Section 2.1.2. The following Figure 2 graphs current and future supply, projected water supply and efficient use from year 2024 to year 2060.

Figure 3 - Future Water Supply and Demand



The yellow line depicts the demand by maintaining 0.5% conservation per year. As previously stated, the water system is far below the regional goal at 145 gpcd. The project demand was calculated assuming 145 gpcd and multiplying by the projected population. It should be noted that a different projected population was used than what is stated in WMP. The same projected percent increases were used as the WMP but the current population was determined by average population from the sources stated in Section 1.3. Having a goal of 0.5% will keep usage from ever exceeding 262 gpcd as the Town Hildale and Colorado City grow and assuring water usage stays below their reliable supply for the year.

The graph currently shows that there is not a deficit of source water, however it should be noted that the demands provided are based on average usage, and does not illustrate demand in a Peak Day Demand (PDD) scenario. The Utah State Code R309-510-7 States that a water system needs to meet “the anticipated water demand on the day of the highest water consumption which is the PDD”. Over year a time period of one year, there is a sufficient amount of water, however, during PDD scenario the system has a deficit of water which is why there is significant amount of proposed source to be developed as described in Section 2.1.2.

5. WATER CONSERVATION PRACTICES

4.5. CURRENT BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

The HCCUD system currently has multiple best management practices (BMPs) set in place to conserve water. The key practices are summarized in the following sub-sections.

4.5.1. TIERED WATER RATE STRUCTURE

The tiered water rate structure was put into place in July 2024. The water rate structure escalates cost for higher-volume usage to incentivize reduction. The water rate structure is provided in Section 3.1.

4.5.2. DROUGHT/WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Both Hildale and Colorado City have created a 4-Stage plan enforced in the City code for times during long droughts or when there is a need to significantly reduce water usage. The following briefly explains the 4-stage plan:

- **Stage 1:** Reduction in Water use with a reduction of 10%. Some methods to reduce water provided in the City Code for residents to do to reduce water are as follows:
 - Fix dripping and leaking faucet and toilets.
 - Take shorter showers or fill bathtub only part way
 - Serve water at restaurants only upon request.
- **Stage 2:** Mandatory water restrictions with a reduction goal of 15 to 20%. The following restrictions are enforced as part of Stage 2
 - All parks, schools and cemeteries will be allowed to water every other day during permitted hours.
 - Residential and commercial water users will be allowed to water outside during permitted hours on an odd/even concept as determined by address, (i.e. even addresses water on even days, and the like).
 - Noncommercial car washing requires using a hose with an automatic shut off nozzle.
 - Use of water for street and driveway washing will not be permitted.
 - No planting any new grass or sod or other new landscaping.
 - Water shall be served at restaurants only upon request.
- **Stage 3:** Additional mandatory Restrictions. Reduction goal between 25 to 30%. In addition to stage 1 and 2 restrictions, the following are enforced:
 - No use of fire hydrants for purposes other than fire protection.
 - No use of water for ornamental use including, but not limited to, fountains, artificial waterfalls, and pools.

- No use of water for water games or to fill or top off swimming pools, hot tubs, and the like.
- Culinary water will not be used to irrigate city parks or golf courses or schools.
- Spray irrigation and hand watering may occur for a total of 15 minutes per landscaped area.
- Drip irrigation systems, bubbler or soaker hoses may be operated for a total of 2 hours.
- **Stage 4:** Water rationing plan. Reduction goal of 40 to 60%. All restrictions in stages 1, 2, and are in forced in addition to the following:
 - No watering of lawns.
 - No watering of gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, and other outdoor plants, except by means of a bucket, pail, or handheld hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
 - The use of water for flushing sewers or hydrants by municipalities or any public or private individual or entity except as deemed necessary and approved in the interest of public health or safety and specifically approved by the town.
 - The use of fire hydrants by the Fire Department for testing fire apparatus and for Fire Department drills, except as deemed necessary in the interest of public safety and specifically approved by the town.

Each stage of the plan will be communicated to the residents by means of posting in public place including Town Office, Post offices, and electronic means. An information flyer on the 4 stages that is accessible to the public is provided in Appendix B. Article 51-11 Culinary Water System Conservation and Rationing of the Hildale Code is provided in Appendix C for detailed information on the Management Plan. Identical information is also provided in the Town of Colorado City code as well.

4.5.3. ASSET MANAGEMENT

The Utility department regularly evaluates conditions of water utility infrastructure checking for leaks, old or faulty meters, and performs repairs as soon as possible to prevent loss of water. Additionally, the HCCUD is pursuing funding for transitioning to Smart Meters in order to be able to have real time leak detection and usage monitoring.

4.6. PROPOSED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

The following Sections summarizes further best management practices that the HCCUD will adopt to further conserve water.

4.6.1. WATER AUDITS

To better understand and manage water use across the system, HCCUD will implement a comprehensive water audit program. This initiative will involve evaluating water consumption

patterns for residential, commercial, and institutional users to identify inefficiencies and opportunities for conservation. Audits will include voluntary assessments of indoor fixtures, irrigation systems, and overall usage trends. By partnering with certified water conservation professionals, HCCUD will offer voluntary audits to residents and businesses, helping them optimize water use and reduce waste. These audits will also inform future infrastructure upgrades and policy decisions, ensuring that conservation efforts are data-driven and targeted.

4.6.2. ORDINANCES AND STANDARDS

HCCUD recognizes the importance of establishing enforceable ordinances and standards to support long-term water conservation. The department will work with local governments to develop and adopt regulations that prohibit water waste, mandate efficient landscaping practices for new developments, and encourage the use of water-saving technologies. These ordinances may include requirements for restrictions on outdoor watering during peak demand periods, and standards for irrigation system design and maintenance. Enforcement mechanisms will be established to ensure compliance, with a focus on education and support before penalties are applied. These measures will align with regional conservation goals and state water efficiency guidelines.

4.6.3. LANDSCAPING

Based on the Utah State University Turfgrass Water Use in Utah report, turfgrass in St. George, Utah requires approximately 33.79 inches of water per irrigation season, defined as February through November. This estimate assumes uniform water application by the irrigation system. Because Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Arizona experience climates very similar to St. George, this water-use rate can reasonably be applied to estimate turfgrass water use in those communities as well. Based on the Utah State University study this would mean that 1000 square feet of irrigated turf would use approximately 21,061 gallons in a season.

Encouraging residents and new developments to replace or minimize irrigated turf with water efficient landscaping can save thousands of gallons of water a year. List of water efficient plants put together by the Washington County Conservancy District can be found here [PlantGuide_032519_web.pdf](#).

4.6.4. REBATE PROGRAMS

To encourage water-saving behaviors, HCCUD will promote county and state rebate programs that encourage the adoption of efficient technologies and practices. Residents and businesses may qualify for financial incentives when replacing high-flow toilets, showerheads, and faucets with WaterSense-certified fixtures. Additional rebates may be offered for converting traditional landscapes to xeriscape designs, installing smart irrigation controllers, and transitioning to drip irrigation systems. These programs will be promoted through the department's website, newsletters, and community events. By reducing the upfront cost of conservation upgrades,

HCCUD aims to accelerate the adoption of sustainable practices and reduce overall water demand.

Current state rebate programs consist of the following items. See the state's Water Saver's links: <https://www.utahwatersavers.com/>.

Table 10 - Utah Rebate Schedule

Program Type	Rebate Amount	Notes
Landscape Conversion	Up to \$3/sq ft	Must have living grass at time of application; requires site visits and landscape plan
Smart Irrigation Controller	Up to \$100	WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controllers
Toilet Replacement	Up to \$150	Replace pre-1994 toilets with WaterSense models
Tree Planting	\$50–\$100/tree (in eligible areas)	Available in eligible areas with qualifying ordinances
Commercial/HOA Incentives	Yes	Available for businesses, HOAs, and institutions for landscape and irrigation upgrades

4.6.5. PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Public engagement is a cornerstone of successful water conservation. HCCUD will expand its education and outreach efforts to raise awareness about the importance of water efficiency and provide residents with practical tools to reduce consumption. Initiatives will include seasonal workshops on irrigation best practices, school programs during National Water Week, and informational campaigns through social media, newsletters, and utility bills. A dedicated conservation webpage will be developed to host resources, rebate information, and interactive tools for tracking water use. By fostering a culture of conservation, HCCUD seeks to empower the community to take an active role in protecting local water resources. Some example education opportunities that may be provided are provided below.

Table 11 - Public Education Examples

Landscaping Education Classes	Classes with water-efficient plants and techniques on how to save water with their lawncare.
Rebate Training Classes	Classes on educating the public of available rebates and what they need to do to receive them.
National Water Week	Use this week to remind the public of general water conservation practices by sharing information on the City website and throughout City Hall. Additionally, City officials can visit the elementary and high schools to educate students about the importance of water conservation.

4.6.6. IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE AND EVALUATION

Each proposed BMP will be implemented over the next five years, with water consumption monitored throughout that period to verify that the BMPs are resulting in measurable conservation. We recommend that the average gallons per capita per day (GPCD) be evaluated at least once per year to determine whether the City is achieving the annual 0.5% water-use reduction goal.

In addition to monitoring overall water use, City staff should track which BMPs are being implemented and the level of participation within the community. The following metrics can be used to further evaluate progress toward the City's water conservation objectives:

- 1. Unaccounted-for Water Reduction**

As part of the auditing BMP discussed in Section 4.6.1, a key goal will be to reduce the volume of unaccounted-for water. As noted in Section 4.3, between 2016 and 2024 the City experienced an average 20.8% unaccounted-for water based on Division Water Rights public information. City staff should consider conducting a formal water loss study per AWWA guidelines to verify the unaccounted-for water and document when this has taken place. Additionally, the city will continue to monitor individual service areas and water sources to identify potential leaks and prioritize repair efforts. The City will aim to reduce the percentage of unaccounted-for water each year.

- 2. Landscape Conversion and Rebate Tracking**

As part of the landscaping and rebate program BMPs, the City will track the quantity of irrigated turf converted to water-efficient landscaping through 2030. Documenting the total square footage replaced will help measure long-term reductions in outdoor water demand.

- 3. Ordinance and Standards Implementation**

Under the ordinances and standards BMPs, the City will maintain documentation of the dates when new or updated water conservation ordinances are adopted. Water-use trends will be monitored closely to evaluate the effectiveness of these ordinances and to determine whether additional revisions are needed.

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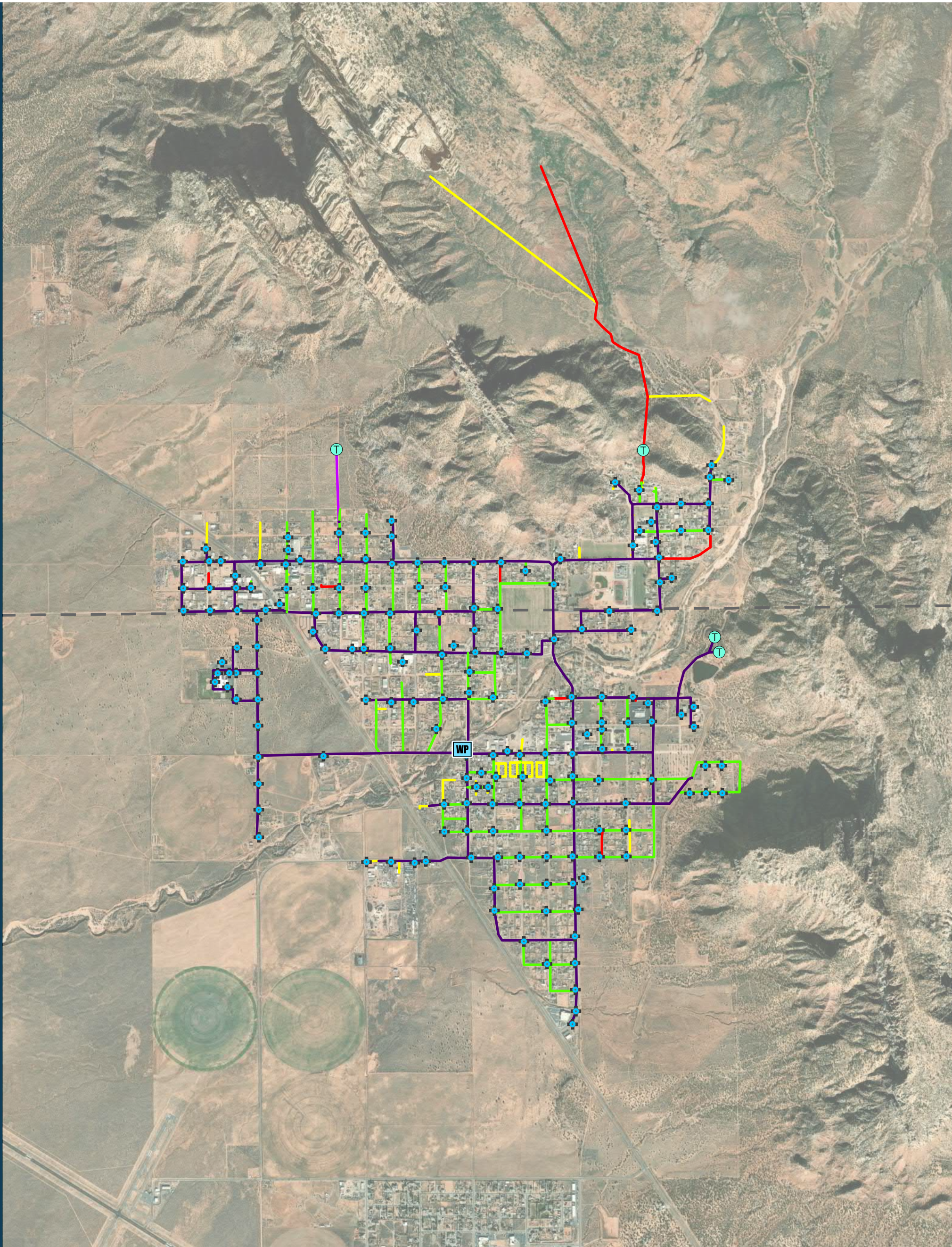
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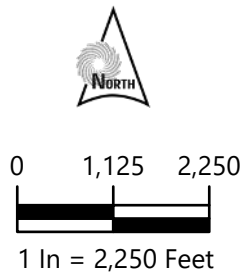
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APPENDIX A

EXISTING WATER SYSTEM



MAP LEGEND



Water Mains
2"
4"
6"
8"
12"

Water Hydrants
Water Tank
Treatment Plant

State Boundary



Map Date: 10.27.2023



APPENDIX B

Hildale/Colorado City



4-STAGE CONSERVATION PLAN



Phone: 435-874-1160

MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS

STAGE-1

1. No outside sprinkle watering between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

STAGE-2

1. All restrictions in stage 1 will be in force.
2. All parks, schools, and cemeteries will be allowed to water every other day during permitted hours.
3. Residential and commercial water users will be allowed to water every other day. Even addresses water on even days, odd addresses, on odd days.
4. Non-commercial car washing requires using a hose with an automatic shut off nozzle.
5. Use of water for street and driveway washing will not be permitted.
6. No planting new grass or sod or other new landscaping.
7. Water shall be served at restaurants only upon request.

STAGE-3

1. All restrictions in stages 1 & 2 will be in force.
2. No use of fire hydrants for purposes other than fire protection.
3. No use of water for fountains, artificial waterfalls, pools, or other ornamental purposes.
4. No use of water for water games or to fill or top off swimming pools, hot tubs, etc.
5. Culinary water will not be used to irrigate City parks, golf courses, or schools.
6. Sprinkle and hand watering may occur for a total of 15 minutes per landscaped area.
7. Drip irrigation systems, bubbler or soaker hoses may be operated for a total of 2 hours.

STAGE-4

1. All restrictions in stages 1, 2, & 3 will be in force.
2. No watering of lawns.
3. No watering of gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, or other outdoor plants, except by means of a bucket, pail, or handheld hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
4. No use of water for flushing sewers or hydrants by municipalities or any public or private individual or entity except as deemed necessary in the interest of public health or safety and specifically approved by the City.
5. No use of fire hydrants by the Fire Department for testing fire apparatus or for Fire Department drills, except as deemed necessary in the interest of public safety and specifically approved by the City.

APPENDIX C

ARTICLE 51-III CULINARY WATER SYSTEM CONSERVATION AND RATIONING

Sec 51-68 Culinary Water Master Plan, Impact Facilities Plan And Impact Fees

Sec 51-69 Policy

Sec 51-70 Intent And Purpose

Sec 51-71 Procedures And Responsibilities

Sec 51-72 Implementation Of Management Plan

Sec 51-73 Culinary Water Restrictions

Sec 51-74 Management Plan

Sec 51-75 Emergency Restriction

Sec 51-76 Citations

Sec 51-77 Exemptions

State Law reference— Water conservation, U.C.A. 1953, § 73-10-32 et seq.

Sec 51-68 Culinary Water Master Plan, Impact Facilities Plan And Impact Fees

(a) Hildale City hereby approves and adopts the following impact fee facilities plan for the water system of the City: *Hildale City & Town of Colorado City Culinary Water Master Plan Update*, dated January 2024, prepared by Sunrise Engineering.

(b) The City hereby establishes one service area consisting of the entire geographical area of Hildale City, including future annexed areas.

(c) The City Council may adjust the impact fee at the time the same is charged to (a) respond to unusual circumstances in specific cases and (b) ensure that impact fees are imposed fairly.

(d) All impact fees received by the City pursuant to the section shall be used for, and, as appropriate refunded in compliance with Utah Code Ann. 11-36-301, 302, and 303, as amended.

(e) Any fee payer that has paid an impact fee pursuant to this section may challenge the impact fee by filing:

(1) an appeal to City pursuant to subsection (f) of this section; or

(2) a request for arbitration as provided in Utah Code Ann. 11-36-402(1), as amended; or

(3) an action in state district court as provided in Utah Code Ann. 11-36-401(4) (c) (iii), as amended.

(f) Any person or entity who has paid or made an impact fee required by this section may challenge or appeal the impact fee by filing a written notice of appeal with the City Recorder within 30 days of the date that the fee was paid or made. Upon receiving the challenge or appeal, the City shall set a hearing date to consider the merits of the challenge or appeal. The hearing panel, which shall consist of the City Council or such other body as the City shall designate, shall hold a hearing and make a decision within 30 days after the date that the challenge or appeal is filed. The person or entity challenging or appealing the fee may appear at the hearing and present any written or oral evidence deemed relevant to the imposition of the fee. The decision of the hearing panel shall be in writing and shall be supported by written findings. No appeal shall be permitted unless and until the impact fees at issue have been paid.

(g) This Ordinance supersedes and/or repeals the provision(s) of any ordinance(s) or resolution(s) that is/are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance.

(h) The City hereby establishes an impact fee to be charged to all new connections to the City's culinary water system based on Table 1 below, which impact fees shall be paid to the City.

TABLE 1

<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>ERUs</i>	<i>Impact Fee</i>
<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>ERUs</i>	<i>Impact Fee</i>
5/8" & 3/4"	1.00	\$12,580.00
1"	1.78	\$22,364.44
1 1/2"	4.00	\$50,320.00
2"	7.11	\$89,457.78
3"	16.00	\$201,280.00
4"	28.44	\$357,831.11
6"	64.00	\$805,120.00

HISTORY

Adopted by Ord. 2024-01 on 4/10/2024

Sec 51-69 Policy

It shall be the policy of the city to implement the regulations and restrictions outlined in this article to promote the conservation and efficient use of culinary water.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 1, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-70 Intent And Purpose

(a) It is in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the city to require conservation of culinary water resources. It is the intent of this article to establish measures for essential conservation of culinary water resources and to provide for equitable distribution of culinary water supplies. It is further the intent of this article to provide additional measures for conservation of culinary water resources under emergency conditions as determined by the utility board, the city council or mayor.

(b) It is imperative that culinary water customers within the city achieve an immediate reduction in culinary water use in order to extend existing culinary water supplies and ensure sufficient culinary water supply to preserve the public health and sanitation, and provide fire protection service.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 2, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-71 Procedures And Responsibilities

(a) The city shall encourage efficient use of water resources and conservation of all water resources on an ongoing basis. The city may provide water conservation information and guidelines to its culinary water users.

(b) City employees, volunteers and contracted service providers shall comply with all culinary water restrictions and conservation guidelines established by this article.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 3, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-72 Implementation Of Management Plan

The drought/water management plan will be implemented as follows:

- (a) The four-stage management plan will run as determined by the utility board.
- (b) Each stage of the plan will be noticed to residents by means of posting in public places including the city office and the post office.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 4, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-73 Culinary Water Restrictions

The city shall implement a four-stage drought/water management plan as determined by the utility board, the mayor and the city council. The culinary water restrictions do not apply to irrigation water use. The culinary water use restrictions for Stages 1, 2, 3 or 4 shall become effective when determined by the utility board, and will remain in effect until the utility board declares the water supply is adequate to return to other usage.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 5, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-74 Management Plan

- (a) *Stage 1: Reduction in water use.*
 - (1) Reduction goal: ten percent.
 - (2) Suggested voluntary conservation methods:
 - a. Inside:
 - 1. Fix dripping and leaking faucets and toilets. A leak in the toilet can waste more than 100 gallons of water a day.
 - 2. Don't let the water run while shaving. Filling the sink basin when shaving uses one gallon of water, letting the water run uses five to ten gallons.
 - 3. Don't flush the toilet unnecessarily. Consider installing water-saving toilets. Water-saving toilets use 1.6 gallons of water, standard toilets use five to seven gallons of water each time they are flushed.
 - 4. Take shorter showers or fill the bathtub only part way. Long showers waste five to ten gallons of water every minute.
 - 5. Consider installing low-flow showerheads.
 - 6. Don't run the water while brushing teeth. Turning the water off while brushing your teeth can save 1.5 to 3.5 gallons of water.
 - 7. Don't run the tap to make water hot or cold. Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator so you don't have to run the tap to get a cool drink of water.
 - 8. Wash only full loads of dishes and laundry. A dishwasher uses approximately 25 gallons of water; a washing machine uses 30 to 35 gallons of water per cycle.
 - 9. Consider replacing any appliance that utilizes water with a low-flow type appliance if such appliance is not already low flow.
 - 10. Reduce or eliminate the use of the garbage disposal.
 - 11. Wash fruits and vegetables in a basin instead of under running water.
 - 12. Notify hotel and restaurant patrons of water conservation goals.

13. Serve water at restaurants only upon request.

14. Encourage all hotels, motels, inns and bed and breakfast establishments to change sheets no more than every four days for guests staying that long, unless necessary or specifically requested by the guest.

15. Adjust temperatures in buildings with water-cooled air conditioners to require less water.

16. Use of reuse water for construction purposes if it is available.

b. Outside:

1. Raise your lawn mower cutting height. Longer grass needs less water.

2. Delay planting any new grass, sod or other new landscaping.

3. Don't fill swimming pools. If possible, cover the swimming pool; an uncovered pool will lose 900 to 3,000 gallons of water a month to evaporation, a covered pool losses 300 to 1,000 gallons a month.

4. Use mulch around shrubs and garden plants to save soil moisture.

5. Use a hose with a shut off nozzle if washing cars at home or wash at a facility that recycles water. Washing the car with the hose running uses 100 to 200 gallons of water.

6. Sweep sidewalks and steps rather than hosing.

7. Aerate turf areas.

8. Know your plants' water requirements and apply only the amount required for good plant health.

9. Monitor evapotranspiration (ET) data. Know how much moisture is lost to ET as this is what needs to be replaced back into the soil for good plant health.

10. Monitor soil moisture to determine if watering is needed.

11. Water between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.

12. Avoid watering on windy days or midday when the evaporation rate is the highest.

13. Keep fire hydrants closed.

14. Repair leaks in hoses, pipes, faucets and connections.

15. Limit operation of non-recycling fountains.

16. Limit city fleet washing by 30 percent to 50 percent.

(3) Mandatory restrictions on nonessential water use: No outside spray irrigation use of water between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

(b) *Stage 2: Mandatory water restriction.*

(1) Reduction goal: 15 to 20 percent.

(2) Stage 1 restrictions will be in force.

(3) All parks, schools and cemeteries will be allowed to water every other day during permitted hours.

(4) Residential and commercial water users will be allowed to water outside during permitted hours on an odd/even concept as determined by address (i.e., even addresses water on even days,

etc.).

- (5) Noncommercial car washing requires using a hose with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
- (6) Use of water for street and driveway washing will not be permitted.
- (7) No planting any new grass, sod or other new landscaping.
- (8) Water shall be served at restaurants only upon request.

(c) *Stage 3: Additional mandatory restrictions.*

- (1) Reduction goal: 25 to 30 percent.
- (2) All restrictions included in Stages 1 and 2 are in force.
- (3) No use of fire hydrants for purposes other than fire protection.
- (4) No use of water for ornamental use, including, but not limited to, fountains, artificial waterfalls and pools.
- (5) No use of water for water games or to fill or top off swimming pools, hot tubs, etc.
- (6) Culinary water will not be used to irrigate city parks or golf courses or schools.
- (7) Spray irrigation and hand watering may occur for a total of 15 minutes per landscaped area.
- (8) Drip irrigation systems, bubbler or soaker hoses may be operated for a total of two hours.

(d) *Stage 4: Water rationing plan.*

- (1) Reduction goal: 40 to 60 percent.
- (2) All restrictions included in Stages 1, 2 and 3 will be in force.
- (3) No watering of lawns.
- (4) No watering of gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, and other outdoor plants, except by means of a bucket, pail, or handheld hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle.
- (5) No use of water for flushing sewers or hydrants by municipalities or any public or private individual or entity except as deemed necessary and approved in the interest of public health or safety and specifically approved by the city.
- (6) No use of fire hydrants by the fire department for testing fire apparatus and for fire department drills, except as deemed necessary in the interest of public safety and specifically approved by the city.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 6, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-75 Emergency Restriction

Additional restrictions on the use of culinary water may be implemented if the utility board, the mayor and the city council determine that additional emergency culinary water conservation measures are required. Nothing herein shall prevent the city council from enacting another ordinance or authorizing a further mayoral proclamation pertaining to limitation of water use if such scarcity remains in existence.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 7, 3-17-2009)

Sec 51-76 Citations

The city council authorizes the city to issue citations for violations of this article. Any owner, occupant or person having an interest in, or control over, the property subject to this article who shall fail to comply with this article shall be fined as indicated in the citation schedule below and water service may be disconnected. Citations shall be issued with graduated penalties as follows:

(a) First violation, a warning will be issued.

(b) Second violation (Class C misdemeanor), a fine as established in the schedule of fees and penalties shall be imposed.

(c) Third violation (Class B misdemeanor), a fine as established in the schedule of fees and penalties shall be imposed.

(Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 8, 3-17-2009)

State Law reference— Citations, U.C.A. 1953, § 77-7-18 et seq.

Sec 51-77 Exemptions

(a) If compliance with the nonessential use of water restrictions would result in extraordinary hardship upon a water user, the water user may apply for an exemption from this article.

(b) For purposes of this section, the term "extraordinary hardship" shall mean a permanent damage to property or other personal or economic loss, which is substantially more severe than the sacrifices borne by other water users subject to the same nonessential use of water restrictions.

(c) A person or business entity may submit a written request for exemption from this article. The written request shall include full documentation supporting the following:

(1) The nature of the hardship claimed and reason for the requested exemption.

(2) The efforts taken by the applicant to conserve water and the extent to which culinary water use for nonessential purposes may be reduced by the applicant without extraordinary hardship.

(d) The utility board shall hear and decide exemptions from this article. (Ord. No. 03-09-2, § 9, 3-17-2009)



Hildale City City Council Public Notices

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 6:00 AM

320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale City, Utah 84784

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Hildale City Council will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, August 12, 2026**, at 6:00 p.m., at 320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale City, Utah 84784, to receive public comment regarding the adoption of the Water Conservation Plan dated February 27, 2026.

And to receive public comment on the proposed declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus:

1. 325 E Newel Ave, Parcel No. HD-SHCR-9-28
2. 1340 West Uzona Ave, Parcel No. HD-HDIP-27

Council members may be participating electronically by video or telephone conference. Members of the public may watch the live stream through the scheduled Zoom meeting.

No action will be taken during the Public Hearing.



Hildale City Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 6:00 PM

320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale City, Utah 84784

Minutes

Welcome, Introduction and Preliminary Matters: Mayor Jessop

Council Member Terrill Musser, acting as Mayor Pro Tempore, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Roll Call of Council Attendees: City Recorder

PRESENT

Council Member Luke Merideth
Council Member JVar Dutson
Council Member Terrill Musser
Council Member Darlene Stubbs (via zoom)

ABSENT

Mayor Donia Jessop (excused)
Council Member Lamont Black (excused)

STAFF

City Recorder Maxene Jessop
AP Clerk Miranda Jeffs
Police Chief Radley

Pledge of Allegiance: By Invitation of Mayor Jessop

Council Member Merideth led the pledge.

Conflict of Interest Disclosures: Mayor and Council Members

None

Special Recognitions:

Short Creek Festivities

1. City Council Community Recognition and Appreciation Award

Council Member Musser recognized the SC Festivities board and volunteers for eleven years of service, honoring their role in revitalizing the community through the Fourth of July tradition. Since 2015, the event has grown from an expected 250 attendees to thousands, fostering cohesion across Hildale, Colorado City, and St. George. The council presented the "Hildale City Welcome Home Appreciation Award," celebrating the group's dedication with the plaque's inscription: "The greatest traditions are built by willing hands, generous hearts, and a community that chooses to come together."

Kendall Pipkin (Vice President) recounted the event's origins in 2015 with George & Miriam, the unexpected turnout, the expansion to multiple events, the formation of a 501(c)(3), his service as president for three years, and the current leadership by Mayor Donia Jessop. He noted the event has worldwide fans and dedicated volunteers.

Council Member Dutson expressed gratitude for the volunteerism and the positive impact on the community.

Council Member Merideth offered supportive remarks, praising SC Festivities' perseverance and growth.

Appointments to Boards or Commissions:

None

Public Presentations:

None

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings: Council Members

2. City Council meeting minutes of: July 8, 2026, July 16, 2026 and August 05, 2026.

Council Member Musser noted a typographical correction in the July 8 minutes, a reference to "Council Member Duston" should be spelled "Dutson."

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to approve the minutes with the noted correction, seconded by Council Member Stubbs.

Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Motion Carried

Oversight Items: 10 minutes - Mayor Jessop

3. Financial Report and Invoice Register approval

Finance Director Sherrie Broadbent presented the financial report for June 2026, sharing her screen for the presentation.

Council Member Merideth asked if the budget could be expected to balance month-to-month following recent fiscal adjustments. Ms. Broadbent explained that revenues are time-dependent; for example, property tax revenue is primarily received in December, so a perfect monthly balance is not expected, but the overall financial health will be much better. She confirmed that the increased property tax rate will be reflected in the revenue received this December.

Council Member Dutson thanked Ms. Broadbent for her work, noting the improved clarity helps the council understand revenue fluctuations against consistent monthly expenses.

Council Member Musser asked for an explanation of the general fund's beginning negative balance of approximately \$1.5 million and ending balance of negative \$1.8 million, questioning how much was an operating deficit versus interfund obligations. Ms. Broadbent stated she is still working to fully reconcile these figures.

Council Member Dutson requested, for next month, an added checks-and-balances package for the "3.1 or 3.2 grant," clarified as the first grant the City received in the grant fund. He asked for a copy of the balance sheet for the grant fund and a breakdown of payments made against that grant over the last couple of years and the remaining balance. Ms. Broadbent confirmed she would compile a more thorough historical detail for Council review.

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to pay the bills as funds are made available, Seconded by Council Member Merideth. Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Motion Carried

4. City Admins report (Department reports included)

Council Member Musser noted that departmental reports were included in the council packet for review. He also expressed appreciation to Chief Radley and the volunteer firefighters for their work, as well as to Nathan Fischer and the City team for their service.

Public Hearings And Action Items:

5. The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus:

325 E Newel Ave, Parcel No. HD-SHCR-9-28

The purpose of this hearing was to receive public comments on the proposed declaration and disposition of City-owned real property as surplus. City Attorney Shawn Guzman noted the properties are considered "significant parcels" (anticipated value of at least \$500,000) under City ordinance, requiring a public hearing prior to declaration as surplus.

Properties Noticed:

- 325 East Newel Avenue, Parcel No. HDSHCR-9-28
- 1340 West Uzona Avenue, Parcel No. HD-HDIP-27

Public hearing for item 5 & 7 were combined. Public hearing was opened at 6:29 pm.

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to open a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the disposition and declaration of City-owned real property at 325 East Newel Avenue and 1340 West Uzona Avenue, Seconded by Council Member Stubbs.

Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Public hearing for items 5 & 7 were combined. Public hearing was opened at 6:29 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Musser invited public comment in person and online. No public comment was received.

Mayor Pro Tem Musser declared the public hearing was closed at 6:30 pm. City Attorney Guzman confirmed a motion was not required to close.

6. Consider approval of declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus:

325 E Newel Ave, Parcel No. HD-SHCR-9-28

Action items 6 and 8 were combined.

City Attorney Shawn Guzman clarified the action is to declare the properties surplus, which enables but does not obligate the City to sell them.

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to approve the declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus: 325 East Noel Avenue, Parcel No. HD-SHCR-9-28 and 1340 West Uzona Avenue, Parcel No. HD-HDIP-27, Seconded by Council Member Merideth.

Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Motion Carried

7. The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comment on the proposed declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus:

1340 West Uzona Ave, Parcel No. HD-HDIP-27

8. Consider approval of declaration and disposition of the following City-owned real property as surplus:

1340 West Uzona Ave, Parcel No. HD-HDIP-27

9. The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comment regarding the adoption of the Water Conservation Plan dated February 27, 2026.

The public hearing was declared open at 6:35 PM.

Utility Director Postema presented remotely.

The Water Conservation Plan (dated February 27, 2026) is required by the State of Utah for grant eligibility, including the current booster pump station grant.

The plan was reviewed by the Utility Board and Planning & Zoning Board, with edits made based on comments. The State has confirmed the plan meets its criteria.

No public comments were received.

The public hearing was declared closed at 6:37 PM

10. Consider approval of Resolution number 2026-08-01 adopting the Water Conservation Plan.

Council Member Merideth asked if adoption changes current drought/rationing stages; Mr. Postema confirmed it does not.

Council Member Merideth asked about meter sizes for large users. Mr. Postema provided examples of meter sizes for various uses (residential, duplex, commercial).

Council Member Dutson asked if previously discussed changes were incorporated; Mr. Postema confirmed they were, noting a focus on outdoor use, future landscaping requirements, and indoor conservation rebates.

Council Member Dutson inquired whether the water conservation plan requires annual re-approval or re-submission for grant eligibility.

Utility Director Postema clarified that the plan is an ongoing program and does not expire annually, allowing the city to pursue state and federal grants without needing to re-adopt the entire document. He confirmed that the city can amend specific portions of the plan as requirements change without needing to replace the entire document

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to approve Resolution 2026-08-01 adopting the updated Water Conservation Plan as presented, Seconded by Council Member Merideth.

Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Motion Carried

Public Comments: 3 minutes each - Discretion of Mayor Jessop

Mayor Pro Tem Musser opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were received in person or online.

Council Comments: For items not on the agenda (10 minutes total)

Council Member Merideth expressed gratitude to EMS and local law enforcement with the start of school, noting increased safety needs around intersections.

Council Member Dutson requested law enforcement conduct educational outreach with the school district to enhance safety at the start of the school year. Chief Radley responded that officers typically conduct such safety assemblies. Council Member Dutson also thanked law enforcement and staff for their preparedness and response during a recent local emergency. He requested that Council Member Musser's detailed public explanation on Facebook regarding property tax increases be formally added to the City's historical records. Mayor Pro Tem

Musser directed City Recorder Jessop to note and forward the request.

Council Member Musser thanked staff for their responsiveness to document requests and reminded the public that records are available and accessible at City Hall.

Calendar of Upcoming Events: 5 minutes - Mayor Jessop

11. City Council Calendar

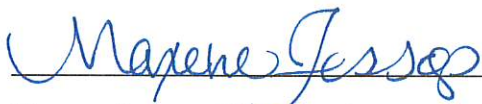
Mayor Pro Tem Terrill Musser noted the events on the calendar included in the packet.

Adjournment: Mayor Jessop

Motion made by Council Member Dutson to adjourn meeting, Seconded by Council Member Merideth.
Voting Yea: Council Member Merideth, Council Member Dutson, Council Member Musser, Council Member Stubbs

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Minutes were approved at the City Council Meeting on September 9, 2026.


Maxene Jessop, City Recorder

