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Manitou Springs City Council Adopts Year-Round Water Wise Water Conservation Principals

MANITOU SPRINGS CO – Using water effectively and conservatively is important for the future of Manitou Springs! On March 1, 2022, the Manitou Springs City Council unanimously adopted Resolution 0522: A resolution Adopting a Water Wise Plan for the City of Manitou Springs.

The voluntary Water Wise Plan is as follows:

1. You may water up to three days a week. You choose the days.
2. In warmer weather (May 1-Oct. 15) only water before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m. to reduce evaporation.
3. Avoid watering during wind or precipitation events
4. Don't let water pool on hard surfaces or flow down gutters.
5. Repair leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days.
6. Use a shut-off nozzle when washing anything with a hose.
7. Clean hard surfaces (such as driveways, sidewalks and patios) with water only if there is a public health and safety concerns
8. Watering with a drip irrigation or a hose with a shut-off nozzle are allowed at any time, provided water does not pool on hard surfaces or flow down gutters.

There are many other ways to conserve water in addition to this voluntary program! Fixing leaky toilets, replacing old appliances, avoiding constant water flow when brushing your teeth, only running dishwashers when they are full, etc. are all great ways to minimize your water usage! This both saves money on your water bill, but also has a great impact on your environmental footprint.

John Graham, Mayor of Manitou Springs, stated “Water is our most precious resource.” He continued “Following these Water Wise Principles takes very little conscious effort but can make a great impact in our community’s overall water usage.”

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