#### Moratorium on New Water Connections And New Expenditures

## Purpose

This ordinance addresses capacity issues within the Ames Water Company and ensures sustainable water supply management. Until the concerns raised by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) are resolved, no new water connections will be permitted, as well as no new monetary expenditures.

## Scope

This moratorium applies to all areas served by the Ames Water Company, specifically those affected by capacity limitations.

#### **Provisions**

- 1. **Duration**: The moratorium shall remain in effect until the TCEQ confirms that capacity issues have been adequately addressed and resolved.
- 2. **New Connections**: During the moratorium period, no new water connections will be allowed, and all new business expenditures shall be put on hold until we know the extent of the cost to resolve said capacity issues.
- 3. **Emergency Exceptions**: In case of emergencies or public health and safety concerns, exceptions may be granted by the Board authorities.

# **Emergency Declaration**

This ordinance is declared an emergency measure due to the critical nature of water supply adequacy.

This moratorium shall take effect immediately upon approval from all the board members.

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