RULE NO.:

R161-21.28

POSTING DATE: October 6, 2021

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

The Director of Watershed Protection Department proposes to adopt the following rule on or after November 8, 2021.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Kelly Strickler, at kelly.strickler@austintexas.gov or (512) 974-1845. To be considered, comments must be submitted before November 8, 2021, the 33rd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rule to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rule has been obtained and is available by contacting Kelly Stricker at kelly.stricker@austintexas.gov or (512) 974-1845.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before November 8, 2021 (the 33rd day after the date of this notice) or not after December 15, 2021 (the 70th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before December 15, 2021, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE

The text of the proposed rule, indicating changes from the current text, is attached to this notice. Additionally, a copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following location: Office of the City Clerk, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE

R161-21.28: Modifies the Standards Manual to align with the Environmental Criteria Manual 1.6.4(A) as follows:

Standards Manual: SERIES 500 - PIPE AND APPURTENANCES.

- <u>Standard No. 661-1</u> Changes fabric specification to match geotextile fabric requirement in ECM 1.6.5(A)(4) ("High Flow Filter Fabric").
- <u>Standard No. 661-2</u> Changes fabric specification to match geotextile fabric requirement in ECM 1.6.5(A)(4) ("High Flow Filter Fabric").
- <u>Standard No. 661-3</u> Changes fabric specification to match geotextile fabric requirement in ECM 1.6.5(A)(4) ("High Flow Filter Fabric").

AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE

The authority and procedure for the adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is established in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate water quality is established in Chapter 25-8 of the City Code.

CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule (R161-21.28), the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED

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Jorge Morales, P.E., CFM, Director		
Watershed Protection Department		
Deborah Thomas for	Date:10/4/2021	
Anne L. Morgan		
City Attorney		

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