



## AUSTIN WATER

### WATERING DAY VARIANCE

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Variances to watering restrictions for commercial and residential properties may be granted in accordance with City Code, Section 6-4-81 (B) (1). The director may grant a variance to Section 6-4-63 (Permanent Water Use Restrictions), Section 6-4-64 (Water Conservation Stage One Regulations), or Section 6-4-65 (Water Conservation Stage Two Regulations) if the director determines that a property cannot be completely watered with an average of three-quarters of an inch of water in a single day and that the property should be divided into sections to be watered on different days.

This variance will authorize a supplementary watering day(s) for sections of the property that cannot be completely watered in the timeframe specified by Chapter 6-4-63 (B) and 6-4-64 (C), provided that no section is watered more than one day in each week.

#### Qualifications:

The irrigation system in use on the property, which is the subject of this variance application, must be operating in a manner that complies with City Code, Section 6-4 Article 2. Compliance with this article will be field-verified by AWU personnel before approval of a Watering Day Variance.

#### Compliance:

Throughout the life of the variance, the Water Service Account Holder/property manager/owner is responsible for compliance with all the provisions of the Chapter 6-4, Water Conservation. This will include but is not limited to the following:

**A person may not fail to repair a controllable leak including**

- a broken sprinkler head, leaking or broken pipes or a leaking faucet;

**A person may not operate a permanently installed irrigation system with**

- a broken head
- a head that is out of adjustment and the arc of the spray head is over a street or parking lot
- a head that is misting because of high water pressure; and

**A person may not allow**

- water to run off a property and form a stream of water in a street for a distance of 50 feet or greater
- water to pond in a street or parking lot to a depth greater than one-quarter of an inch.

**Please Note - watering is not permitted:**

- Between the hours of 5AM and 7PM
- On Mondays



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**Explanation cont.**

**Attach a site map showing the following information:**

- north arrow, street information, and building arrangement
- identification number of each controller and its location on the property
- controllers must be color coded and must match the controller with a corresponding irrigation zone
- The boundary of each irrigation zone must be clearly identified

Meter Number	Controller ID	Color on Map	Controller Model	Location of Controller	Total # of Minutes	Zones/Stations (ex. 1-12, 13-24)	Watering Days Requested
	<b>1/B</b>						
	<b>2/C</b>						
	<b>3/D</b>						
	<b>4/E</b>						
	<b>5/F</b>						
	<b>6/G</b>						
	<b>7/H</b>						
	<b>8/I</b>						
	<b>9/J</b>						
	<b>10/K</b>						
	<b>12/L</b>						

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**Irrigation controllers located on Property, which is the subject of this variance, must be uniquely labeled with a number that corresponds to their identification number and location as provided on the site map required above. This label must be placed in a visible location on the outside of the control box and must be in place at the time of the inspection by AWU staff and prior to the issuance of the variance.**

**WATER SERVICE ACCOUNT HOLDER SIGNATURE:**

I have submitted the required information, site map, and proposed irrigation schedule for the property above and understand that all attachments are made part of this variance request and any subsequent approval. I further understand the watering restrictions imposed by this variance.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print this application and sign above. Upon completion, mail to:**

AWU Water Conservation,  
P.O. Box 1088  
Austin, TX 78767

or FAX to (512) 974-6548

or Email to [waterusecompvar@austintexas.gov](mailto:waterusecompvar@austintexas.gov)

**Austin Water staff will contact you within ten (10) business days of receipt of the completed application to schedule a field visit. It is strongly recommended that the owner representative/property/manager and a representative of the irrigation management company be present for the initial field inspection with Austin Water staff.**

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Approved

Denied

Initial Site Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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(AWU staff) (Date)