

RESOLUTION 87- 179
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
ADOPTING A WATER SUPPLY POLICY

WHEREAS, the City staff and Water Board during the last year have studied in depth the City's present and future Water Supply needs and have proposed changes regarding the City's water supply policy; and

WHEREAS, the Water Board, after considerable study and debate, has made a recommendation to adopt a water supply policy which can be used for future planning and water acquisition programs; and

WHEREAS, City Council has reviewed the Water Supply Policy Report and discussed it at a work session on June 23, 1987; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that this water supply policy will result in significant long term benefits to the community, including a more reliable water supply and reduced capital expenditures over the long-term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that the following elements of a water supply policy be adopted:

1. Cooperation with Agricultural Community. The City should continue to be sensitive to the effects that City acquisition policies have on the agricultural community.
2. Reliability of Supply. The reliability of the Fort Collins water supply should be maintained to meet a 1 in 100 drought event.
3. Timing of Acquisitions. Water supplies that help balance the City's present raw water system should be acquired in advance of that needed to meet the 1 in 100 reliability criteria.
4. Process of Acquiring Water Rights and Storage. The City should evaluate opportunities as they arise and obtain the most desirable sources of water. These opportunities may include acquisition of water stock or CBT water, lease arrangements, development of storage reservoirs such as Halligan Reservoir, or the rehabilitation of existing reservoirs.
5. Raw Water Requirements for New Development. The raw water requirements (RWR) for developers should be adjusted upward by about 20% during the next five years.
6. Regional Participation/Cooperation. The City should continue to work with the water suppliers throughout the region to assure that adequate supplies are maintained in this area and that maximum use is obtained from supplies and available infrastructure (treatment capacity and transmission lines).
7. Demand Management. A metering program directed at new construction and voluntary conversions should be adopted and implemented to reduce annual water use and peak day demands.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Water Board and City staff use these policy elements as general criteria when considering water supply projects, acquisition of water rights, or other measures related to the City's water supply.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins held this 1st day of December, A.D. 1987.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk