

**RULE NO.: R161-18.02**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE**

**POSTING DATE: January 3, 2018**

The Director of the Department of Austin Water proposes to adopt the following rule after February 4, 2018.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Mr. Eric Langhout, P.E.; Austin Water, 3907 S. Industrial Dr., Suite 236, Austin, Texas 78744, 512-972-0073, or via email at [Eric.Langhout@austintexas.gov](mailto:Eric.Langhout@austintexas.gov). To be considered, comments must be submitted before February 4, 2018, the 32nd 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 for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph.

**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 February 4, 2018 (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after March 14, 2018 (the 70th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before March 14, 2018, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

**TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE**

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the following locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Austin Water, located at 3907 S. Industrial Dr., Suite 236, Austin, Texas, 78744. See Mr. Eric Langhout, P.E. and:

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

## **BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE**

R161-18.02: Proposed revision to the Utility Criteria Manual 2.9.4

### **Rule – UCM 2.9.4**

- Section 2.9.4.A.5 – This is being added to allow flow measurements when available if the reference indicates higher peak wet weather flows than the calculated method.
- Section 2.9.4.D.7.Note 3 – This was added to clarify that the pipe penetrations shall be made in the manhole wall and not in the cast-in-place base.
- Section 2.9.4.G.5 – These changes are being made to not allow for clean-outs in all paved areas and to require locking lids if they must be placed in a paved area.

## **AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE**

The authority and procedure for adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is provided in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate construction requirements is established in Section 552.001 and Title 15 of the City Code.


## CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule R161-18.02, 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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Greg Meszaros, Director  
Austin Water

Date: 12/24/17

  
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Anne L. Morgan  
City Attorney

Date: 12/22/17