

RULE NO.: R161-22.11

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION

ADOPTION DATE: August 8, 2022

By: Robert Goode, Interim Director
Austin Water

The Director of the Department of Austin Water has adopted the following rule. Notice of the proposed rule was posted on July 6, 2022. Public comment on the proposed rule was solicited in the July 6, 2022, notice. This notice is issued under Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The adoption of a rule may be appealed to the City Manager in accordance with Section 1-2-10 of the City Code as explained below.

This Notice of Rule Adoption was posted on the City website by the City Clerk. Date and time stamp are on the front of the notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ADOPTED RULE

A rule adopted by this notice is effective on August 8, 2022.

TEXT OF ADOPTED RULE

The adopted rule contains no changes from the proposed rule.

R161-22.11: Proposed revision to the Item 510

Rule 3 – Item 510

1. Item 510.3(17)(c) – Add Joint Gasket Inspection requirements.
2. Item 510.3(27)(b)(2) – Further define improper installation and correction of leakage.

The adopted rule contains no changes from the proposed rule. This Notice of Rule Adoption was posted on the City website by the City Clerk. Date and time stamp is on the front of the notice.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS

Austin Water did not receive comments regarding the rule adopted in this notice.

AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF 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 adopt this rule is established in Section 552.001 of the Texas Local Government Code, Section 552.017 of the Texas Local Government Code, City Code 15-9-9 and Chapter 15 of the City Code.

APPEAL OF ADOPTED RULE TO CITY MANAGER

A person may appeal the adoption of a rule to the City Manager. **AN APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK NOT LATER THAN THE 30TH DAY AFTER THE DATE THIS NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION IS POSTED. THE POSTING DATE IS NOTED ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THIS NOTICE.** If the 30th day is a Saturday, Sunday, or official city holiday, an appeal may be filed on the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or official city holiday.

An adopted rule may be appealed by filing a written statement with the City Clerk. A person who appeals a rule must (1) provide the person's name, mailing address, and telephone number; (2) identify the rule being appealed; and (3) include a statement of specific reasons why the rule should be modified or withdrawn.

Notice that an appeal was filed and will be posted by the city clerk. A copy of the appeal will be provided to the City Council. An adopted rule will not be enforced pending the City Manager's decision. The City Manager may affirm, modify, or withdraw an adopted rule. If the City Manager does not act on an appeal on or before the 60th day after the date the notice of rule adoption is posted, the rule is withdrawn. Notice of the City Manager's decision on an appeal will be posted by the city clerk and provided to the City Council.

On or before the 16th day after the city clerk posts notice of the City Manager's decision, the City Manager may reconsider the decision on an appeal. Not later than the 31st day after giving written notice of an intent to reconsider, the City manager shall make a decision.

CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

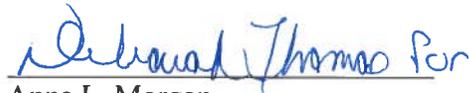
By signing this Notice of Rule Adoption R161-22.11, the City Attorney certifies that the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED



Robert Goode P.E., Interim
Director Austin Water

Date: 7/28/2022



Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

Date: 8/3/2022

ITEM NO. 510 - PIPE ~~12-8-18~~ 08-08-22

Item 510.3(17)(c)

(c) O-Ring and Push-on Joints

Just before making a joint the ends of the pipe shall be clean, dry, free of any foreign matter, lump blisters, excessive coal tar coating and grease or oil and shall be wire brushed. The gasket and the inside surface of the bell shall be lubricated with a light film of soft vegetable soap compound (Flax Soap) to facilitate telescoping the joints. The rubber gasket if not factory installed shall be stretched uniformly as it is placed in the spigot groove to ~~insure~~ ensure a uniform volume of rubber around the circumference of the groove. The spigot shall be centered in the bell, and the pipe pushed home uniformly to avoid twisting or otherwise displacing or damaging the rubber gasket and brought into true alignment. Bedding material shall be placed and tamped against pipe to secure the joint. Care should be taken to prevent dirt or foreign matter from entering the joint space.

Joint Gasket Inspection: After each pipe section is joined, inspect joint gasket to ensure that no displacement of gasket has occurred by use of a feeler gauge approximately 1/2 inch wide and 0.015-inch thick, or by other gasket inspection procedures approved or recommended by pipe manufacturer that ensures a watertight installation prior to backfilling. If gasket displacement has occurred, remove pipe section and remake joint as for new pipe. Remove old gasket and replace with new gasket before remaking joint.

Item 510.3(27)(b)(2)

(2) Location and Correction of Leakage

If such testing discloses leakage in excess of this specified allowable, the Contractor, at the Contractor's expense, shall locate and correct all defects in the pipeline until the leakage is within the indicated allowance. **Leakage disclosed at more than one gasketed pipe joint in any tested section will be considered indicative of improper installation and joint gasket inspection procedures by the Contractor for the entire tested section. That entire section of pipe shall be relayed at the Contractor's expense, employing installation procedures approved by the pipe manufacturer.**

All visible leakage in pipe shall also be corrected by Contractor at the Contractor's expense.