

RULE NO.: R161-24.03

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION

ADOPTION DATE: 05/08/24

By: Shay Ralls Roalson, P.E., Director
Austin Water

The Director of the Department of Austin Water has adopted the following rule. Notice of the proposed rule was posted on 03/28/24. Public comment on the proposed rule was solicited in the 03/28/24 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.

A copy of the complete text of the adopted rule is attached to this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ADOPTED RULE

A rule adopted by this notice is effective on 05/08/24.

TEXT OF ADOPTED RULE

The adopted rule contains no changes from the proposed rule as shown below.

R161-24.03: Proposed revision to Standard Specifications 510

Rule 2 – Revisions to Standard Specifications 510

- 1) ITEM 510 – Pipe – **Item 510.3(6)(a)1** – Remove the language in this section since it is in the UCM Section 2.9.2.B.4.
- 2) ITEM 510 – Pipe – **Item 510.3(6)(a)2** – Change the language to match the language in 2.9.2.B.4.

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, and Section 15-9-9 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identify the rule being appealed; and (3) include a statement of specific reasons why the rule should be modified or withdrawn.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 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. The City Manager shall decide not later than the 31st day after giving written notice of an intent to reconsider.

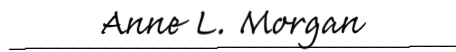
CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Rule Adoption R161-24.03, 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


Shay Ralls Roalson, P.E., Director
Austin Water

Date: 4/30/2024


Anne L. Morgan
City Attorney

Date: 5/5/24

ITEM NO. 510 PIPE ~~11-7-22~~ **XX-XX-24**

510.3 Construction Methods

(6) Trench Depth and Depth of Cover

All pipe and in-line appurtenances shall be laid to the grades indicated. The depth of cover shall be measured from the established finish grade, natural ground surface, subgrade for staged construction, street or other permanent surface to the top or uppermost projection of the pipe.

- (a) Where not otherwise indicated, all potable/reclaimed water piping shall be laid to the following minimum depths:

- ~~1.~~ Potable/reclaimed water piping installed in undisturbed ground in easements of undeveloped areas, which are not within existing or planned streets, roads or other traffic areas shall be laid with at least 36 inches of cover.
- ~~2~~**1.** Potable/reclaimed water piping installed in existing streets, roads or other traffic areas shall be laid with at least 48 inches of cover below finish grade. **Minimum depth of cover over the uppermost projection of pipe shall be at least 48 inches below proposed ground elevation.**
- ~~3~~**2.** Unless approved by the E/A, installation of potable/reclaimed water piping in proposed new streets will not be permitted until paving and drainage plans have been approved and the roadway traffic areas excavated to the specified or standard paving subgrade, with all parkways and sidewalk areas graded according to any applicable provisions of the drainage plans or sloped upward from the curb line to the right-of-way line at a minimum slope of ¼ inch per foot. Piping and appurtenances installed in such proposed streets shall be laid with at least 36 inches of cover below the actual subgrade.

- (b) Where not otherwise indicated, all wastewater piping shall be laid to the following minimum depths:

1. Wastewater piping installed in natural ground in easements or other undeveloped areas, which are not within existing or planned streets, roads or other traffic areas shall be laid with at least 42 inches of cover.
2. Wastewater piping installed in proposed streets, existing streets, roads or other traffic areas shall be laid with at least 66 inches of cover.