

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 20 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING STORMWATER; TO REQUIRE COMMERCIAL CONVEYOR CAR WASH FACILITIES TO RECYCLE WATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Avondale Estates and its residents have long demonstrated concern for the conservation of the environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Avondale Estates desires to enact regulations requiring use of recycled water by commercial carwash facilities operating within its jurisdiction;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Avondale Estates that Chapter 20 of the Official Code of Ordinances of the City of Avondale Estates be amended as follows:

SECTION 1. New Article VIII of Chapter 20 is hereby added, to read as follows:

“ARTICLE VIII. COMMERCIAL CAR WASHES.

Sec. 20-500. Purpose and Intent.

The purpose of this ordinance is to reduce water consumption from commercial car wash facilities by requiring all new conveyor car washes to install operational recycled water systems.

Section 20-501. Applicability.

- (a) This ordinance applies to all new conveyor car washes permitted and constructed after July 1, 2022, regardless of the water source.
- (b) The provisions of this ordinance do not apply to conveyor commercial car washes that were permitted or constructed before July 1, 2022.
- (c) The provisions of this ordinance do not apply to self-service car washes or in-bay car washes.

Section 20-502. Definitions.

For this article, the terms below shall have the following meanings:

In-bay automatic car wash means a commercial car wash where the driver pulls into the bay and parks the car. The vehicle remains stationary while a machine moves

back and forth over the vehicle to clean it, instead of the vehicle moving through the tunnel.

Conveyor car wash means a commercial car wash where the car moves on a conveyor belt during the wash. The driver of the vehicle can remain in the vehicle or wait outside of the vehicle.

Recycled water system means a water system that captures and reuses water previously used in wash or rinse cycles.

Self-service car wash means a commercial car wash where the customers wash their cars themselves with spray wands and brushes.

Section 20-503. Commercial Car Wash Water Recycling Requirement

All new commercial conveyor car washes, permitted and constructed after July 1, 2022 must install operational recycled water systems. A minimum of 50% of water utilized will be recycled.”

SECTION 2. The effective date of this ordinance is the date of adoption.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2022.


ATTEST:

CITY OF AVONDALE ESTATES

By _____
Gina Hill, City Clerk

JONATHAN ELMORE, Mayor

Approved as to Form



Stephen G. Quinn, City Attorney