

ORDINANCE NO. 9100

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9000
OF THE DISTRICT CODE OF ORDINANCES**

The Board of Directors of the San Juan Water District ordains as follows:

Section 1. Purpose and Authority. The purpose of this ordinance is to revise the District Water Systems provisions contained in the District's Code of Ordinances to provide additional clarification on what type of planting material and where that material can be located around District equipment. It also provides the District the authority to gain reimbursement for any costs incurred while clearing any equipment on the customer's behalf. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Government Code sections 54202, 61060, 61063, and other applicable law.

Section 2. Amendments. Ordinance No. 9000 (District Water Systems) of the District Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

A. Section 9000.05.A is amended to read as follows:

9000.05.A Testing, changing or reading water meters installed, maintained and operated by the District. Notice is not required for the activities described in this Section 9000.05.A. To ensure the safety of employees and protect water system infrastructure, the customer shall maintain unrestricted and visible access to any water equipment and related appurtenances (e.g. water meters, fire hydrants, air release valves, etc.) at all times. This includes, at a minimum, seven feet of clearance above the equipment and one foot around where only decorative ground cover is permissible (gravel, bark, mulch, grass, etc.) to allow a person to walk around the equipment and stand upright on or near without obstruction. No trees, shrubs, or other obstacles with expansive/invasive root systems shall be planted within two feet from the edge of the equipment. The General Manager, or his/her designee, may determine if the clearance meets the intent of the ordinance. If access is deemed to be out of compliance with this ordinance, the customer is required to remove or modify the obstruction and/or reimburse the District for any costs incurred to clear the equipment on the customer's behalf. Service may be discontinued if permanent safe accessibility is not provided.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its adoption.

Section 4. Publication. Within 15 days from the date of adoption of this ordinance, the District Secretary shall publish it once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated within the District.

INTRODUCED by the Board of Directors on the 22nd day of May 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Juan Water District at a regular meeting on the 26th day of June 2019 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Attest:

Dan Rich
President, Board of Directors

Teri Grant
Board Secretary