

CITY OF TUCUMCARI

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2025-33 EXTENDING RELIEF FOR
LATE WATER UTILITY BILLS**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Tucumcari recognizes that unforeseen circumstances and financial hardships can make it difficult for residents of the City to timely or completely pay their water utility bills; and

WHEREAS, the assessment of late fees may exacerbate the financial burden on residents who are already struggling; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to ensure that all residents have reliable access to water services and to minimize the risk of water shut-offs due to non-payment; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body seeks to extend the above-mentioned waiver of late fees for all residents of the City until May 1, 2026, in order to provide temporary financial reprieve for struggling residents; and

WHEREAS, this extension of the temporary waiver of late fees is not permanent in nature, and the City does not waive any past, present, or future financial liability for non-payment of any water utility bills by any resident of the City; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Tucumcari that:

The City hereby establishes a temporary moratorium on the assessment of late fees for overdue water utility bills effective immediately until May 1, 2026.

The Public Works Department for the City of Tucumcari is hereby authorized to waive late fees for all residents who can demonstrate financial hardship or an inability to pay their water bills. The Department shall create and make public a clear and concise process for customers to request and apply for this waiver. This waiver shall apply to all residents of the City equally.

The Public Works Department is hereby directed to expand and promote flexible payment plan options for customers who have outstanding balances. During any established payment plan period, no additional late fees shall be assessed, provided the customer complies with the terms of the agreement.

Following the conclusion of the temporary moratorium, late fees shall once again continue to be assessed.

The Public Works Department for the City of Tucumcari shall inform all water utility customers of the temporary moratorium.

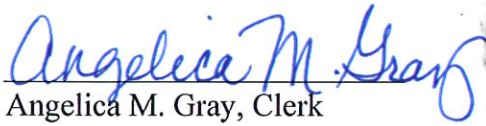
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of January, 2026.



Marcella Willis, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:



Angelica M. Gray, Clerk

