

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2022**

**WHEREAS**, City of Wimberley contains and is located near the Blanco River and Cypress Creek (covered segments 1813 and 1815) and

**WHEREAS**, the pristine streams within and around City of Wimberley support the region's visitor and recreation-based economy; and

**WHEREAS**, these streams are clear and pristine because they carry little or no detectable nutrients, such as phosphorus; and

**WHEREAS**, treated domestic wastewater has high levels of phosphorus, because phosphorus is a byproduct of the treatment process itself; and

**WHEREAS**, the addition of nutrients, like phosphorus, to these pristine streams will degrade water quality and may result in algal blooms, fish kills and interruption of recreational use; and

**WHEREAS**, these streams can be protected by prohibiting direct discharge of treated domestic wastewater within their drainages; and

**WHEREAS**, the rule would not prohibit new development on these streams. Developers will be able to apply for a TLAP land irrigation permit and for authorization to reuse their wastewater; and

**WHEREAS**, both options have been used very successfully in the two areas where TCEQ has already prohibited new wastewater discharge permits — around the Highland Lakes (since 1986) and in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone (since 1996).

**WHEREAS**, The City of Wimberley City Council recognizes the value of these pristine streams to the environment and economy of our City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WIMBERLEY THAT:**

The City of Wimberley hereby supports petitioned Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rule change (2022-1075-PET).

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022

CITY OF WIMBERLEY, TEXAS

BY: *Gina V. Fulkerson*  
GINA FULKERSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

*Nathan Glaiser*  
NATHAN GLAISER, Interim City Secretary

