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## For Immediate Release

## Press Release

May 2021 - With the arrival of warmer weather, the Waukesha Water Utility would like to remind city residents of the annual Sprinkling Ordinance in effect from May 1<sup>st</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Odd-numbered street addresses may water on Tuesdays and Saturdays prior to 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m.

Even-numbered street addresses may water on Thursdays and Sundays prior to 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m.

A hand-held watering can, container, or hose may be used at any time to water gardens, trees, or shrubs, but only if the water device is utilized manually and not left unattended.

The City developed the sprinkling ordinance as part of an ongoing water conservation program. Additional water conservation is needed to protect local water resources and reduce demand during peak hours. The City is requiring customers to refrain from watering during daytime hours, when up to 40% of the water applied by a sprinkler can be lost to evaporation.

To help with the sprinkling, a \$20 rebate for rain barrels is available for Waukesha Water Utility customers.

For additional information on the sprinkling ordinance and rebates, please visit the Water Utility's website at <a href="https://www.waukesha-water.com/conservation.html">www.waukesha-water.com/conservation.html</a> or phone the Utility at (262) 521-5272.