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Dear Customer,

## Your property could qualify for a free irrigation efficiency audit with **city rebates totaling \$4,000**.

Many large landscapes in Westminster are predominantly comprised of Kentucky bluegrass and use a lot of water. These legacy landscapes are expensive to maintain and costly to retrofit, leaving property managers with hard choices about *how* to reduce water use. The City has a program to pay for half the cost of a thorough irrigation audit (up to \$2,000) to support customers in improving water use efficiency, and also waive the association's cost-share (up to an additional \$2,000) provided invoices of repairs made from the audit.

Westminster has contracted with Irrigation Analysis, a highly respected and experienced local firm, to perform these irrigation audits. Irrigation Analysis' *Irrigation Association-* and *QWEL*-certified auditors will perform a detailed audit and provide an actionable report on how your property can improve irrigation system efficiency, reduce water use, and save money. The "practical water audit" provides zone by zone recommendations for water conservation improvements and needed repairs. An expected 'Return On Investment' will also be provided, allowing you to prioritize which investments make the most sense to pursue.

The City will pay for 50% of the cost of the irrigation audit up to \$2,000 per property, with the balance paid for by the association. If the association implements repairs identified in the audit during 2024 and provides relevant invoices, the City will credit those repairs towards the HOA's cost share, up to the value of the City's share of the audit.

These audit services cost approximately \$50 per irrigation controller zone/station, so a landscape with 50 zones will have a total cost of around \$2,650. You must know your controller zone/station count <u>before</u> committing to the program.

Please reach out to me if this is an opportunity you would like to pursue. City funds are limited and will be dispersed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sincerely,

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