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Granbury Public Water Supply Given Superior Rating by TCEQ

Granbury, Texas – Granbury Mayor Nin Hulett and City Manager Chris Coffman were notified Monday that the City of Granbury’s Public Water Supply had received the rating of “Superior” from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

The award recognizes the high standard of a waterworks operation and an ongoing effort toward maintaining public health protection and customer service.

“The TCEQ has authorized the ‘Superior’ designation in view of the high standards of water service made available to the residents of the City of Granbury,” said Steven Swierenga, Manager of the Drinking Water Special Functions Section, Water Supply Division, TCEQ. “We would like to thank you for your interest and cooperation in our Public Drinking Water Program.”

Assistant Public Works Director Jason Barber, who spearheaded the campaign to land the Superior designation, said there were many factors that went into receiving the distinction.

“The first qualification was having no major (water) violations over a five-year period, which we haven’t,” he said. “Then you have to send in monthly samples to ensure compliance with permit limits, and then send in an initial packet for TCEQ approval, which we did on Sept. 29 (2020).”

Barber also said this year’s Superior designation was the first for Granbury since he started 10 years ago.

“This designation just goes to show residents how hard the City staff works, every day, to maintain the highest standards of quality and public health in our programs,” said Granbury Mayor Nin Hulett. “The Public Works folks should be as proud of this level of achievement as I am of them.”

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“I’m extremely proud of this,” said Assistant Public Works Director Jason Barber. “It took a lot of moving parts and smart, hard-working people just to get qualified. There were more than 25 employees in three departments that made this happen.”

The next level of public water supply quality is “Outstanding,” which Barber explained would take the City three years of maintaining its new “Superior” designation.

Hulett also recognized that although the Superior water supply designation was the first for the City’s Public Works Department, it wasn’t the first high rating a department in the City has received recently.

“In the past year or so our various staff have been recognized for their excellence in many areas, like our Clean Air Coalition and the City’s Finance Department. It just goes to show you that we have outstanding professionals working in every department for the people of Granbury.”

As a part of the designation, the City has been approved to mount “Superior Public Water System” signs from the State of Texas in various areas around Granbury.

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