

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION, AMENDING THE 1991 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE AND AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 21.20 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the public interest to make changes to plumbing code provisions to protect the public water supply system from possible contamination from backflowing of nonpotable water from Lake Washington, private wells, or irrigation systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland does ordain as follows:

Section 1. The following sections of KMC Chapter 21.20 are hereby amended as follows:

21.10.220 - Backflow prevention assemblies to be installed.

(1) Backflow prevention assemblies, when required to be installed in the opinion of the director of public works, or his designated representative, or the building official or his designated representative, shall be installed and maintained by the service customer on any service connection to the municipal supply system where said backflow prevention devices are necessary for the protection of the municipal water supply.

(2) A physical connection between the municipal water system and water from any other source is prohibited.

(3) Irrigation systems must be protected against backflow with one of the following assemblies, based on the hazard present: a pressure vacuum breaker, a double check valve backflow prevention assembly, or a reduced pressure backflow prevention assembly.

21.20.250 - Abatement of unlawful cross-connections and installations of backflow prevention devices - Procedures.

Cross-connections declared in this chapter to be unlawful whether presently existing or hereinafter installed and/or services requiring backflow prevention devices and/or unlawful use or operation of a private water supply system served by the municipal water supply system are hereby declared to be public nuisances, and in addition to any other provisions of the City code or the ordinances of the City regarding the abatement of public nuisances, shall

be subject to abatement in accordance with the following procedure:

(1) In the event that the director of public works or his designated representative or the building official or his ~~designee~~ designated representative determines that a nuisance as provided in this section does exist, written notice shall be sent to the person in whose name the water service is established under the records of the municipal water department, or alternatively, a copy of such written notice shall be posted on the premises served.

(2) The notice shall provide that the nuisance described in this section shall be corrected within ~~thirty~~ fifteen days of the date of said notice is mailed or posted on the premises.


(3) In the event said nuisance is not abated within the prescribed time, water service to said premises shall be discontinued.

(4) In the event that the nuisance, in the opinion of the director of public works or his designated representative, or the building official or his designated representative, presents an immediate danger of contamination to the public water supply, service from the municipal water supply system to the premises may be terminated without prior notice, provided, however, notice will be posted on the premises in the manner heretofore provided at the time said service is terminated.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the City Council and publication, as required by law.

PASSED by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this 18th day of October, 1994.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof this 18th day of October, 1994.



Mayor Pro tem

Attest:



City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



City Attorney