

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, AT CHAPTER 94, UTILITIES, ARTICLE VII, WATER, SEC. 94-306, INSTALLATION OF APPROVED PROTECTIVE DEVICES, BY DELETING THE PRESENT SECTION AND ADOPTING IN LIEU THEREOF AMENDED REQUIREMENTS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PARTS THEREOF; TO RESTATE THE CODE OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, AS AMENDED; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, AND IT IS ESTABLISHED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Code of Griffin, Georgia, is hereby amended at Chapter 94, UTILITIES, Article VII, WATER, at Sec. 94-306, INSTALLATION OF APPROVED PROTECTIVE DEVICES, by deleting the present Code section in its entirety and adopting in lieu thereof the following:

“Sec. 94-306. INSTALLATION OF APPROVED PROTECTIVE DEVICES.

The Director, or his designated representative, shall require the installation and use of an approved protective device(s) on any public water supply service line serving premises to assure that no pollutant or contaminant that may originate on the premises may backflow into the public water supply system. The protective device(s) shall be a reduced pressure zone type backflow preventer or a double check type backflow preventer approved by the Director of Public Utilities and Stormwater as to manufacturer, model, and size. The method of installation of backflow protective devices shall be approved by the Director prior to installation and shall comply with the criteria set forth by the Director, who shall oversee the installation. When the installation is performed by City forces, the owner/occupant of the premises is responsible for all expense of the installation labor and materials, and shall be billed for the actual expense. The owner, or occupant, shall have the option to have the installation

performed by a private plumbing contractor, licensed by the State, subject to the Director's specifications, who shall certify compliance to the Director. It shall be the duty of the water customer to maintain the device or devices in good working order at all times as a condition for continued water service. All non-residential water customers are required, as a condition for continued water service, pursuant to a schedule designed by the Director, to file annually with the Director a certificate of inspection and compliance by a private plumbing contractor, licensed by the State.

The Department shall have the right to inspect and test the device or devices whenever deemed necessary by the Director. Water service shall not be disrupted to test the device without the knowledge of the owner/occupant of the premises. Where the use of water is critical to the continuance of normal operations or protection of life, property, or equipment, duplicate units shall be provided to avoid the necessity of discontinuing water service to test or repair the protective device or devices. Where only one unit is installed and the continuance of service is critical, the Director shall notify, in writing, the owner/occupant of the premises of plans to discontinue water service and arrange for a mutually acceptable time to test and/or repair the device. The Director shall require the owner/occupant of the premises to make all repairs indicated promptly, and the expense of such repairs shall be borne by the owner/occupant of the premises. Those repairs shall be made by a qualified plumbing contractor, licensed by the State, acceptable to the Director.”

Section 2. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the foregoing are expressly repealed.

Section 3. Except as modified herein, The Code of Griffin, Georgia, is hereby reaffirmed and restated. The codifier is hereby granted editorial license to include this amendment in future supplements of said Code by appropriate section, division, article or chapter.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption on second and final reading.

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Second Reading: June 22, 2004