

ORDINANCE NO. 1999-12-092

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15.08 OF THE BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE CITY'S WATER UTILITY AND ADDING PROVISIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL WATER RATES**

**WHEREAS**, the City currently provides untreated water to Georgia-Pacific pursuant to a contract which establishes the rate charged for the water; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract will expire at the end of this year and the City deems it advisable to establish future rates by ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the following rates will recover the costs of providing untreated water to the City's industrial user and will provide incentives to conserve water usage;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN:**

**Section 1.** Chapter 15.08 of the Bellingham Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**15.08.010 - Types Of Water Service**

The following types of water service are provided by the city:

**A. "Residential, unmetered"** services include only those services connecting the water system to a single-family or duplex dwelling unit occupying a single premises, and located within the corporate limits of the city. The service size shall be 3/4" in diameter, except existing 1" services, which may be continued at the discretion of the Director of Public Works.

**B. "Metered"** services include all dwelling units not covered by subsection A above, and all nonresidential services. Multiple-family residential, single-family residential within the city limits desiring a service larger than 3/4" are included in this classification.

**C. "Standby fire protection"** service is a water service installed solely for the purpose of providing water to automatic fire sprinklers, on-site fire hydrants, or standpipes. All privately owned fire protection services shall include a flow-detection device of a type approved by the Director of Public Works. No domestic water supply connections are allowed on a fire protection service.

**D. "Resale water"** service is a metered service by which potable water is provided under contract to a water district or association for resale.

**E. "Industrial water"** ~~service is a metered service providing non-potable water to a firm under a contracted basis.~~ Non-potable water supplied for industrial or irrigation purposes.

#### **15.08.020 - Application For Water Service**

Any person desiring to have a premises connected with the city water supply system shall make application at the office of the Finance Director on printed forms furnished for that purpose. Every such application shall be made by the owner or the purchaser under a real estate contract of the premises to be benefited, or by his authorized agent.

The application must describe the property to be served, state fully the purposes for which the water is required, and indicate that by signing the form, the applicant agrees to conform to the ordinances established as conditions for use of water, and further agrees, as a condition to the furnishing of water, that the city has the right to shut off the water supply for repairs, extensions, or doing other necessary work.

#### **15.08.030 - Limitation On Water Use**

No person supplied with water from the city mains shall be entitled to use it for any purpose other than those stated in the application for service or to supply other persons or premises in any way.

#### **15.08.040 - Water Service Connections**

A. When the premises abuts upon a street or city-owned utility easement through which there is a city water main, the owner may apply for a service. Upon approval of the service, the Director of Public Works shall issue a permit for its installation. The Public Works Department will install a service pipe from the main to the property line, and will include a curbstop placed within the street right-of-way. This equipment is part of the "water service" and shall thereafter be maintained by and kept within the exclusive control of the city, except as otherwise provided in this chapter. The water line from the curbstop to the shutoff shall be installed by the property owner subject to inspection by the director, and it shall remain under the exclusive control of the property owner. The inspection shall be conducted before water service is initiated. If the service pipe is adequately sized, more than one service may be connected, provided that each service must have its own curbstop.

B. When the premises for which service is sought does not abut a street or right-of-way through which there is a city water main, the application for service shall be rejected.

C. When the premises for which service is sought does not abut a main with sufficient pressure and capacity to provide the required flow at the property line, the application for service shall be rejected.

D. All separate premises must have their own separate service connection with a city water main, except:

- (1) Standby fire protection services; and
- (2) Commercial metered services, and industrial water services, in which cases each service shall be metered and computed separately.

E. Existing services over 3/4" in diameter shall be metered at the expense of the property owner. In lieu of installing a meter for a single-family residence, the size of the service can be reduced to 3/4" or a 1" service can remain unmetered, if permitted by the Director of Public Works.

F. All new installations of flat-rate water services shall be 3/4" diameter.

#### **15.08.050 - Water Service Installation Fees**

A. Prior to approval of an application for water service by the Finance Director, the fees applicable to the requested service shall be determined. The fees consist of the demand charge, assessments, installation fees, and other charges as specified in this chapter.

B. Specified fees shall be paid to the Finance Director in full at the time of application. The Finance Director shall advise the Department of Public Works when payment has been received.

#### **15.08.060 - Water Service Installation**

A. All water services shall be installed in accordance with current American Water Works Association ("AWWA") standards and city specifications.

B. All materials used for water service installation shall be AWWA approved and accepted for use on the city water system by the Department of Public Works.

C. Installation of a requested water service will be scheduled after the Finance Director has notified the Department of Public Works that all applicable fees and charges have been paid.

D. The Department of Public Works shall be the entity responsible for the installation of the service. The director may, at his option, select either installation by city forces or by construction contract.

E. The location of the water service will be determined by the Public Works Department. In the event of conflict between the selected service location and the location desired by the applicant, the question may be appealed to the Director of the Public Works Department.

F. The water service shall consist of the tap to the main, the corporation stop at the main, pipe, connections, service or meter box, meter (if required) and stopcock. This service shall be owned and maintained by the city from the main to house side of the stopcock. The connection to the premises side of the stopcock is not part of the water service.

G. The water service shall be installed within city rights-of-way or easements in accordance with department standards.

H. All services other than single-family residential shall be subject to review by the Public Works Department using the uniform Plumbing Code and the AWWA "Sizing Water Service Lines and

Meters"; except that standby fire-protection services shall be sized based on fire-flow requirements determined by the Fire Department.

I. Water service and electrical services lines shall not share the same trench unless:

- (1) They are separated by a minimum of 24"; or
- (2) The electric line is in a rigid metallic conduit.

J. No electric grounding devices or wires from any utility shall be attached to any water service unless authorized by the Director of Public Works.

K. No sewer service shall be installed within 5' of a water service unless it is located at least 24" below the water service.

#### **15.08.070 - Turning On Water Service**

Water service may only be turned on after the Finance Director has notified the Director of Public Works that all applicable fees have been paid, irrespective of whether the service is new, or is one whose water has been shut off for any reason.

#### **15.08.080 - When Main Extension Required**

A main extension is required whenever property within the water service zone is developed and that property does not abut a water main, or when an existing abutting water main is not adequate to provide the required water pressure or flow characteristics. Minimum flow is that set by state law, and is usually twenty p.s.i. at normal peak flow.

#### **15.08.090 - Petition For Water Main Extension**

A. The person desiring a main extension shall petition the Director of Public Works requesting permission to extend the city's water system.

B. The Director of Public Works shall review the request, and if the requested extension is determined to be desirable, shall provide the petitioner with the design requirements for the extension. If the requested main extension is determined to be an undesirable extension of the water system, the petition shall be denied.

#### **15.08.100 - Design Of Water Main Extension - Construction Permit**

A. Upon receipt of the design requirements from the Department of Public Works, the petitioner shall cause the plans and specifications for the extension to be prepared. All design and construction drawings and specifications shall be in accordance with engineering standards adopted by the Department of Public Works. The completed design and specifications, having a valid professional

engineer's seal and endorsement, shall be submitted to the department of public works for review and approval.

**B.** The project for main construction will be carried out in accordance with the provisions of a contract entered into between the city and the petitioner. At the discretion of the Director of Public Works, appropriate security may be required covering construction performance and guaranteeing the construction after completion for a period of one year.

**C.** After approval of the design and construction details, the Department of Public Works shall provide the petitioner with an estimate of the construction inspection fee. A permit for construction will be issued after the inspection fees and estimated main connection charges have been deposited with the Finance Director.

#### **15.08.110 - Construction Of Water Main Extension**

**A.** The petitioner shall contract with a contractor to install the main extension as approved by the Department of Public Works. The contractor shall be licensed to perform the construction.

**B.** The Department of Public Works shall inspect the installation of the water main to insure compliance with the specifications. The charges for such inspection, including administrative and overhead charges, shall be withdrawn from the construction inspection fee deposited with the finance director. At such time as the Director of Public Works determines the remaining funds are not adequate to provide necessary inspection for the project, the petitioner shall be notified and an estimate of additional inspection fees required will be provided. The additional fees shall be deposited with the Finance Director prior to depletion of the funds on deposit. The city reserves the right to reject any installation not inspected and approved by the Department of Public Works. Any moneys unexpended from the inspection fee upon completion of the project shall be returned to the petitioner.

**C.** Upon satisfactory completion of all required tests and acceptance of the main extension, the Department of Public Works shall cause the extension to be connected to the city system. All costs incurred in the connection, including overhead and administrative charges, shall be paid by the petitioner. Any adjustment of the actual cost of installation because of variance between the estimate and the actual cost shall be refunded upon completion of the job to the petitioner, or by payment by the petitioner to the city of any additional expense above the estimate.

**D.** When a main extension is to service a new single-family residential area, individual services shall be installed by the developer to supply each proposed building site. These services shall be installed to city standards. All fees and charges for installation of the services shall be paid at the time a plumbing permit is obtained.

**E.** All extensions of water mains shall be subject to the payment of a hydrant fee as required by this chapter. Whenever the installation of a hydrant is required by the Director of Public Works during the course of a water main extension, the established value thereof may be applied to reduce any hydrant fees due for that extension.

**15.08.120 - "As Built" Construction Drawings Required**

- A. Upon completion of a main extension, the petitioner shall provide the department of public works a reproducible mylar drawing that accurately indicates the main extension and appurtenances as actually installed, in plan and profile.
- B. No main extension will be accepted until satisfactory "as-built" drawings are provided.

**15.08.140 - Transfer Of Service On New Water Main**

- A. When the water main abutting a premises is replaced, the existing active services will be transferred to the new main without payment of additional fees or charges.
- B. When the service connection for a premises is not on a main abutting the premises, and a main extension installs a new water main adjacent to the premises, the owner of the premises will be required to pay the necessary latecomer's or other construction charges before the service will be transferred to the new main. No additional charges will be made to transfer the service.

**15.08.150 - Payment For Water Mains**

- A. Water mains laid in public rights-of-way or easements and connected to city mains may be paid for by:
  - (1) The person benefiting from the installation; or
  - (2) The city; or
  - (3) A local improvement district, as provided by law.
- B. The city may, in accordance with state law, grant the person constructing a new water main the right to reimbursement from other abutting property owners benefited by the improvement pursuant to Bellingham Municipal Code Chapter 14.02.

**15.08.160 - Authority To Shut Off Water**

- A. The Department of Public Works has the right at any time, after giving reasonable notice, to shut off the water supply for repairs, extensions, violations of this code, and any other reason other than nonpayment of rates.
- B. The city is not responsible for any damage caused by the breaking, bursting or collapsing of any boilers, tanks, pipes or fixtures, or any damage whatever resulting directly or indirectly from shutting off of water, when timely notice is given.

**15.08.170 - Persons Authorized To Shut Off Or Turn On Water**

A. Only employees of the Department of Public Works are authorized to shut off and turn on water services, except as follows:

(1) A licensed plumber with written authorization of the Director of Public Works may turn a water service on at the curb stop for the sole purpose of testing service pipes within a premises. Such a test period shall not exceed 4 hours, and the curb stop shall be returned to the off position at the conclusion of the test;

(2) A licensed plumber with the written authorization of the Director of Public Works may turn a water service off at the curb stop to effect repairs of service pipes within a premises, provided a shut-off is installed as required prior to restoration of water service;

(3) Any city official given authorization by the Director of Public Works.

B. Unauthorized turn-on of water service is expressly prohibited. Should any person cause a water service to be turned on at the curb stop prior to the service being signed on in the office of the Finance Director or after being shut off by the Department of Public Works as provided in this chapter, the water service will be shut off by the Department of Public Works and the account will be charged the prescribed tampering fee. Subsequent violation will be cause for the Director of Public Works to order the service shut off by removal of the meter, or the connection at the corporation cock at the main, with the account charged with all costs incurred in such shut-off. Payment of all such costs plus an amount equal to the estimated cost of restoring the service will be made to the Finance Director prior to service being resumed.

#### **15.08.180 - Tampering With Water Service After Suspension**

Should any person turn on a water service without authorization after it has been shut off at the curb by the city, the account shall be assessed the tampering fee for the first occurrence. Further incidents of tampering occurring when an unpaid tampering fee exists will cause the account to be assessed at twice the tampering fee for each occurrence. The Owners or the purchasers under a real estate contract of the premises who do not occupy the premises will, if possible, be notified of the imposition of a tampering fee.

#### **15.08.190 - Temporary Discontinuance Of Service**

A. A temporary discontinuance of water service may be requested by the occupant of a premises. The request shall be in writing, shall state the estimated duration of the discontinuance, and be on forms provided for that purpose in the office of the Finance Director. Such a request for discontinuance shall be made prior to the sixth day of the month that service discontinuance is desired.

B. The minimum period of time for a temporary discontinuance of water service is 30 days, and the maximum time allowed is 6 months.

C. Resumption of water service shall be in writing on the forms provided for that purpose in the office of the Finance Director.

D. The shut-off and turn-on shall be subject to the fees for such service provided by this chapter.

#### **15.08.200 - Abandoned Services**

A. An abandoned service is any water service that does not connect to a water-using system.

B. Services installed as part of a main extension and not put into service will not be considered abandoned.

C. A new water service for a premises where an abandoned service exists may use the abandoned service anytime within three years of abandonment. This subsection shall apply to all abandoned services existing on or after December 1, 1982.

D. A service abandoned for longer than 3 years may use the existing service if it is determined to be in satisfactory condition by the Director of Public Works. If the abandoned service is reactivated without modification, the applicant shall be refunded that portion of the fees and charges expressly stated for service installation. All other fees and charges shall be the same as for a new service.

#### **15.08.210 - Accounts - Funds**

A. All accounts for water shall be kept by the Finance Director by reference to the address, or, if necessary, the legal description of the property to which water service is provided.

B. Accounts shall be billed on a regular schedule determined by the Finance Director.

C. The cumulative water reserve fund is created. Moneys deposited to this fund shall be used for water system improvements, including but not limited to: transmission mains, reservoirs, pump stations, and hydrant installations.

D. The water fund is created. Moneys deposited to this fund shall be used for operation and maintenance of the water system.

#### **15.08.215 - Installation Permit Fees**

An installation permit fee is charged for each service connection, and:

A. The installation permit fee is a flat rate of \$25 per service, except when combined with a sewer permit, when the fee for both permits is a total of \$30.

B. Moneys received for this fee shall be deposited into the water fund unless the permit is a combined permit, in which case one-half of the fee shall be deposited to the water fund, and ½ to the sewer fund.



C. The foregoing fees shall be effective January 1, 1987.

**15.08.220 - Calculation Of Installation Fee - Meters**

An installation fee will be charged for each service requested. This fee is for the cost of installing the water service from the main to the property line including, but not limited to, main taps, corporation cocks, valves, pipes, site restoration, and other materials, labor, and equipment charges necessary.

A. The fee for services less than 1½" in diameter shall be a flat rate for each size. The Director of Public Works shall analyze previous actual installation costs for each size, shall determine the fee annually, and shall give 60 days' public notice thereof.

B. The fee for services 1½" in diameter and larger will be actual cost of installation plus administrative and overhead charges. The water system superintendent shall prepare an estimate of installation costs to determine the amount of money to be deposited. Any adjustment in the actual cost of installation because of variance between the estimate and the actual cost shall be adjusted by a refund upon completion of the job to the applicant, or by payment by the applicant to the city of any additional expense above the estimate.

C. When meters are required, the cost of the meter and installation will be in addition to the water service fees. The director of public works shall establish a flat rate for meter installations less than 1½" in diameter, shall annually adjust that rate based on the previous year's costs, and shall give 60 days' public notice thereof. Meters 1½" and larger shall be estimated as in subsection B above. All meters shall be and remain the property of the city, and may be installed or removed by the Department of Public Works in conformity with this chapter.

D. In the event of a meter getting out of order and failing to register properly, the consumer shall be charged at the average monthly consumption as shown by the meter during the corresponding period of the preceding year.

E. In all cases where meters are lost, injured or broken by carelessness or negligence of owners or occupants of premises, they shall be replaced or repaired under the direction of the Director of Public Works and the cost charged against the owner or occupant; and in case of nonpayment for meter damage, the water shall be shut off, and will not be turned on until such charge and the charge for turning on the water are paid in the same manner as provided for delinquent payments.

F. Meters shall be of the type designated by the Director of Public Works and shall be installed at the cost of the person requiring water service.

G. If the occupant of a premises served by a metered service desires to have a water meter tested for accuracy, the following procedures shall apply:

- (1) The occupant must request a meter test.

- (2) Upon receiving the request, the Department of Public Works shall prepare an estimate of the cost to perform the test, including overhead and administrative charges.
- (3) The occupant must deposit an amount equal to the estimated test costs with the Finance Director.
- (4) Upon notice from the Finance Director that the necessary fee has been received, the department will schedule the meter test. The occupant will be notified of the test and may witness the test if desired.
- (5) Should the meter over-register consumption, repair or replacement of the meter will be made by the department and the meter test fee will be refunded to the occupant. If the meter is accurate (AWWA Standards) or under-registers, the meter test fee shall be deposited to the water fund.

#### **15.08.230 - Connection Charges**

**A.** Charges imposed to connect to and receive city water service shall consist of the following:

- (1) A demand charge determined pursuant to 15.08.250(C), reflecting the cost of the system.
- (2) The connection fee for the specific property involved, as determined by the Department of Public Works, to insure that each connected property bears its equitable share of the cost of the system, plus interest pursuant to subsections 3 and 4, below.
- (3) The connection fee herein shall include accrued interest at a rate of 7% per annum for projects constructed prior to September 21, 1987; thereafter, the interest rate shall be commensurate with the interest rate of the local improvement district bond issue most recent to the date of commencing construction of the project on which such demand charge is calculated, but in no event greater than 10% per year;

PROVIDED, that interest shall only be accrued for a period not to exceed 10 years; and PROVIDED FURTHER, that the aggregate amount of the interest shall not exceed the equitable share of the cost of the system allocated to a given property owner.

- (4) Interest shall be due and payable in full-year increments only. In other words, no interest shall be collected if the affected property owner pays the connection fee within one year of the date the project is completed; one year's interest shall be collected if the property owner pays the connection fee before the end of two years from the date the project is completed, and so on.
- (5) Any applicable private latecomer charges.

**B.** Demand charge credits are available and shall be calculated as follows:

- (1) If an existing service is exchanged for a larger service, credit shall be given for the smaller service at the current rate.
- (2) No refunds will be given for exchange or reactivation to smaller size services.
- (3) If an abandoned service is reactivated within 3 years of abandonment, credit shall be given for the service being activated. Value of credit shall be current charge for that size service irrespective of whether a fee was ever collected.
- (4) If the abandoned service is reactivated after 3 years of abandonment, credit will be given only up to the amount previously paid.
- (5) If a building is fully protected by a fire sprinkler system approved by the Fire Marshall at 50% credit shall be given toward the fee as set forth in Section 15.08.250(C)(2) . If a building is deemed by the Fire Marshall to be partially protected, a 25% credit shall be given. The terms "fully protected" and "partially protected" shall be interpreted in accordance with National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 13, as revised from time to time.

#### **15.08.240 - Computation Of Use Rates**

Use rates for water service and consumption are determined as follows:

- A. Flat-rate water services shall be charged a monthly rate for each month of service or portion thereof.
- B. Metered domestic water users will be charged a flat rate plus a charge for the actual water consumed over 1,200 cubic feet per month as recorded by the water meter.
- C. Contract sales of water for reuse shall be as covered by agreement between the city and the water district or association. Rates shall be as provided in this chapter unless specifically modified by the agreement in recognition of substantial differences in service provided by the city.
- D. Standby service charges for fire protection will be charged for services connected to fire protection systems and private fire hydrants. Charges shall be determined as follows:
  - (1) Standby fire-protection services for private hydrants, standpipes and sprinkler systems will be charged a monthly rate determined by the size of the service connection.
  - (2) Maintenance of private fire hydrants may be done by contract and the charge therefor shall be as contained in the contractual agreement, but in no instance shall the annual fee be less than the annual hydrant maintenance fee.
- ~~E. Industrial water sales shall be as provided in the contractual agreement between the city and the user.~~

**G. E.** The assessment for overhead and administrative charges, where required, is 20% of the total of labor and equipment costs.

**H. F.** Funds received for the connection charges shall be credited to the cumulative water reserve fund.

**I. G.** The Finance Director is authorized to adjust water bills where the user has suffered a broken metered water service. The adjustment is limited to one billing period, and shall be limited to 1/2 of the charge for excess usage.

**15.08.250 - Water Rates And Charges**

**A.** The rates charged for each shut-off or turn-on are:

- (1) During normal work hours: \$15.00 each ; and
- (2) After normal work hours: \$50.00 each.

**B.** The hydrant fee assessed for each lineal foot of main extension or portion thereof is: \$3.00.

**C.** Demand charges are as follows:

(1) For a new or exchanged service:

Type of Service	Charge
Residential	\$ 300
3/4" meter	500
1" meter	833
1-1/2" meter	1,667
2" meter	2,667
3" meter	5,000
4" meter	8,333
6" meter	16,667
8" meter	26,667

(2) A charge of 16 cents per square foot is imposed on all buildings where new or additional floor space is constructed.

(3) For all services located outside the corporate limits of the City, the demand charge is computed in the same fashion, except that an additional surcharge of 50% is imposed.

**D.** Water use rates are:

- (1) Flat rate, single-family residences:
  - 1997—\$17.50 per month
  - 1998—\$18.00 per month

- (2) Flat rate, unmetered duplexes:  
~~1997—\$35.00 per month;~~  
1998—\$36.00 per month;

- (3) Metered:

~~1997: \$17.50 per month plus \$0.92 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed in excess of 1,200 cubic feet;~~

1998: \$18.00 per month plus \$0.95 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed in excess of 1,200 cubic feet; and

- (4) Industrial Water

a. For consumption of the first 40,000 hundred cubic feet (ccf) per day the charge shall be \$0.095 per ccf.

b. For consumption between 40,001 and 42,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.10 per ccf.

c. For consumption between 42,001 and 44,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.105 per ccf.

d. For consumption between 44,001 and 46,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.11 per ccf.

e. For consumption between 46,001 and 48,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.115 per ccf.

f. For consumption between 48,001 and 50,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.120 per ccf.

g. For consumption between 50,001 and 52,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.125 per ccf.

h. For consumption between 52,001 and 54,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.13 per ccf.

i. For consumption between 54,001 and 56,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.135 per ccf.

j. For consumption between 56,001 and 58,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.14 per ccf.

k. For consumption between 58,001 and 60,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.145 per ccf.

l. For consumption between 60,001 and 62,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.15 per ccf.

m. For consumption between 62,001 and 64,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.155 per ccf.

n. For consumption between 64,001 and 66,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.16 per ccf.

o. For consumption between 66,001 and 68,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.165 per ccf.

p. For consumption between 68,001 and 70,000 ccf the charge shall be \$0.17 per ccf.

~~(4)~~ (5) The late-payment penalty is \$1.00 or 1% per month of the amount owing, whichever is greater.

E. The standby fire protection service rate is \$25.00 per year.

F. The tampering fee is \$50.00 per occurrence.

G. Water rates and charges for services outside the city limits are 150% of the aforementioned rates and charges, except the cost reimbursable installation fee described by this Chapter.

#### **15.08.260 - Cross-Connection Control**

A. The intent of this section is to protect the public water supply by control of actual or potential cross-connections that may endanger it.

B. The rules and regulations promulgated by the State Board of Health for the purpose of cross-connection control are hereby adopted by reference as they may be from time to time amended.

C. The manual "Accepted Procedure and Practice in Cross Connection Control", as published by the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Water Works Association, is adopted as the standard practice for design and installation of cross-connection devices.

#### **15.08.290 - Inspection Of Cross-Connections Required - Penalty**

A. An inspection of any cross-connection device installation by the Department of Public Works is required when the device is installed.

B. Inspection and certification of proper operation of each device is required annually. The inspection shall be done by a person certified for such inspection by the State Department of Social and Health Services. An original copy of the inspection report and certification of proper operation endorsed by the inspector shall be sent to the Department of Public Works.

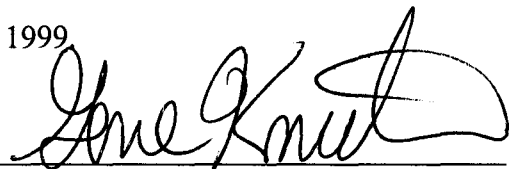
C. Failure to supply the required certification within 30 days of the installation anniversary date is a misdemeanor, and each day thereafter shall be an individual violation. The Director of Public Works may order the water service shut off to protect the public water supply any time after the 30-day grace period. The service so shut off shall not be turned on until the required inspection and certification is received. The misdemeanor penalty shall not apply during the period the water supply is turned off.

**15.08.300 - Private Fire Lines - Backflow Preventions Required**

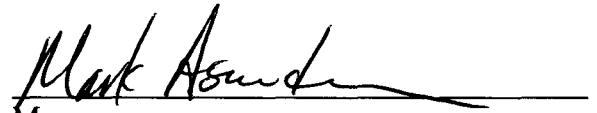
Approved backflow-prevention devices are required on all private fire lines. The device shall be a double-check detector check-meter installed on the building side of the property line. The device shall be so placed as to allow access for the Department of Public Works to read the meter upon request.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall be effective December 31, 1999.

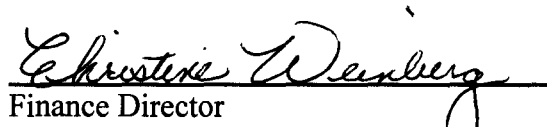
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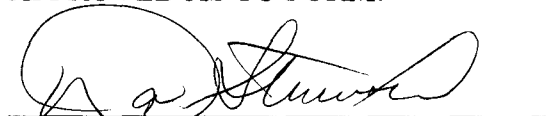
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