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ORDINANCE NO. 1252

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AMENDING CHAPTER XV, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 15-224 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 872, TO UPDATE AND CONFORM TO KANSAS ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 28-15-18 OF THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT REGARDING CROSS CONNECTIONS OF THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS.

Section 1: That City Code Article 15-224 and Ordinance 872 are hereby amended.

Section 2: **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the public water supply of the City of Columbus, Kansas, from contamination due to backflow or back-siphonage from any cross connections to the public water supply; and to provide for the maintenance of a continuing effective cross connection control program. This program shall include regularly scheduled inspections to detect and eliminate current cross connections and to prevent future cross connections.

Section 3: **CROSS CONNECTIONS PROHIBITED.** No person, company, corporation or institution shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained, any cross connection whereby a private water supply, or any source of contamination may enter the regular public water supply of the City of Columbus, Kansas, unless said source is approved by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas, and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Section 4: **PROTECTIVE BACKFLOW PREVENTERS REQUIRED.** Approved devices to protect against backflow or back-siphonage shall be installed at all fixtures and equipment where backflow or back-siphonage may occur and where there is a hazard of contamination of the potable water supply system.

Section 5: **INSPECTION.** The City Superintendent of the City of Columbus, Kansas, or other designate of the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas, shall have the right of entry into any building or premises in the City as frequently as necessary in order to ensure that plumbing has been installed in a manner as to prevent the possibility of contamination of the public water supply of the City of Columbus, Kansas.

Section 6: **PROTECTION FROM CONTAMINANTS.** Pursuant to the authority of Home Rule Powers and K.S.A. 65-163a, the City of Columbus, Kansas, may refuse to deliver water to any premises where a condition exists which might lead to the contamination of the public water and may continue to refuse to deliver water until the condition is corrected to the satisfaction of the City. In addition, the City may immediately terminate water service to

premises where a backflow or back-siphonage condition exists which may be hazardous to the health of customers served by this public water supply system of the City of Columbus, Kansas.

Section 7: INCOPRORATION BY REFERENCE. There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating cross connections between the public water supply and any sources of contamination the manual adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, known as *MANUAL OF REGULATIONS REGULATING BACKFLOW AND BACK-SIPHONAGE OF CONTAMINANTS DUE TO CROSS CONNECTIONS FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY*. No fewer than three copies of said manual shall be marked or stamped, *OFFICIAL COPY AS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 1252*, and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance and filed with the City Clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after passage and publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Governing Body this 15th day of September, 2008.


HARLEY MCDANIEL, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JANICE BLANCETT, CITY CLERK

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