

**VILLAGE COUNCIL  
VILLAGE OF ALEXANDRIA  
LICKING COUNTY, OHIO**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2024 -07**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR PROTECTING THE  
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM FROM CONTAMINATION DUE TO BACKFLOW OF  
CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE WATER SERVICE CONNECTION INTO THE  
PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Section 6109.13 of the Ohio Revised Code requires protection of the public water system from contamination through any connection whereby water from a private, auxiliary or emergency water system may enter the public water system; and

WHEREAS, Section 3745-95 of the Ohio Administrative Code requires protection of the public water system from contamination due to backflow of contaminants through the water service connection; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency requires the maintenance of a continuing program of backflow prevention and cross-connection control which will systematically and effectively prevent the contamination of all potable water systems;

and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish these goals it is necessary to introduce restrictions that go beyond usual plumbing code requirements; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Village of Alexandria, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That if, in the judgment of the Village ~~Maintenance Supervisor~~ (hereafter "Superintendent of Water"), an approved backflow prevention assembly is necessary for the safety of the public water system, the Superintendent of Water will give notice to the water consumer to install such an approved assembly immediately. The water consumer shall, at his own expense, install such an approved assembly at a location in a manner approved by the Superintendent of Water and shall have inspections and tests made of such approved assemblies as required by the Superintendent of Water.

SECTION 2. That no person, firm or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained any connection whereby a private, auxiliary or emergency water supply other than the regular public water supply of the Village of Alexandria may enter the supply or distributing system of said municipality, unless such private, auxiliary or emergency water supply and the method of connection and use of such supply shall have been approved by

the Superintendent of Water of the Village of Alexandria and by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

SECTION 3. That it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Water to cause surveys and investigations to be made of industrial and other properties served by the public water supply where actual or potential hazards to the public water supply may exist. Such surveys and investigations shall be made a matter of public record and shall be repeated as often as the Superintendent of Water shall deem necessary.

SECTION 4. That the Superintendent of Water of the Village of Alexandria or his or its duly authorized representative shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply or distribution system of the Village of Alexandria for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof. On demand the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so served shall furnish to the Superintendent of Water any information which he may request regarding the piping system or systems or water use on such property. The refusal of such information, when demanded, shall, within the discretion of the Superintendent of Water, be deemed evidence of the presence of improper connections as provided in this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That the Superintendent of Water of the Village of Alexandria is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue, after reasonable notice to the occupant thereof, the water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of the provisions of this ordinance is known to exist, and to take such other precautionary measures as he may deem necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply distribution mains. Water service to such property shall not be restored until such conditions shall have been eliminated or corrected in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

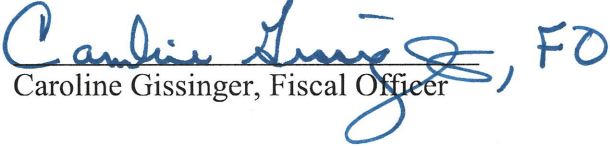
SECTION 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were conducted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance will take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Passed on: November 7, 2024

  
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Mayor Sean Barnes

Attest:

  
Caroline Gissinger, Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Form:

  
David T. Ball, Esq., Village Solicitor

