



# City of Pflugerville

## Legislation Text

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File #: ORD-0571, Version: 2

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Approving an ordinance on second reading with the caption reading: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 53 of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, Code of Ordinances, Title V Public Works, Chapter 53 Cross Connection Control and Backflow Prevention, by amending Sections 53.003 through 53.014 to comply with Federal and State regulations; providing for severability and repealer; and providing an effective date.

This item has been included on the agenda for amending the current ordinance to implement new Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations and requirements regarding a Cross Connection Control and Backflow Prevention Program.

This ordinance amendment is aimed to modify the existing ordinance to comply with new TCEQ regulations regarding irrigation systems that are connected to a Public Water System that also employ the use of a On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF). The new TCEQ regulations classify these types of systems as health hazards to the Public Water System and would need to provide adequate backflow protection in the event of a backflow event.

This ordinance amendment also aims to allow for more efficient enforcement of backflow devices that are classified as health hazards by allowing the City's Public Water System to get these devices tested by a third-party certified backflow prevention assembly tester if they are severely delinquent and pass-through the incurred costs to ensure that the City's water supply is safe from any possible health hazards that can enter into the distribution system. The current ordinance only allows for the City to take a delinquent device owner to court if the device has failed it's required tests or requires repairs. This poses a significant risk to the water system as while the court system has significant delays, the water system could be susceptible to potential contamination of the water supply.

This ordinance has been approved by the City Attorney as to form.

### **Prior City Council Action**

The original ordinance was passed by City Council on 8/22/2017.

The City Council approved this ordinance on first reading on 2/23/2021.

**Funding Expected:** Revenue \_\_\_ Expenditure \_\_\_ N/A X

**Budgeted Item:** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ N/A X

**Amount:** \_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_\_

**1295 Form Required?** Yes \_\_\_ No X

**Legal Review Required:** N/A \_\_\_ Required X Date Completed: 2/3/2021

### **Recommended Action**

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Control and Backflow Prevention, by amending Sections 53.003 through 53.014 to comply with Federal and State regulations; providing for severability and repealer; and providing an effective date.