



INKSTER CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday June 24, 2025
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Tuesday June 24, 2025

Special City Council Agenda – 5:00 PM

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

A. Roll Call

2. **Public Hearing**

Proposed City of Inkster Budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026). **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject at this hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget shall be on file and available to the public for inspection during office hours at the office of the City Clerk

3. **Ordinance**

1st Reading-none

2nd- Reading-Amend the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance, Section 52.00, 52.01, 52.10 and 52.11 pertaining to Water Standards of Operation; Service, to hold second public reading of the proposed amended ordinance

4. **New Business**

A. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins, DPS Director) Consider approval to Amend the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance, Section 52.00, 52.01, 52.10 and 52.11 pertaining to Water Standards of Operations; Service, to hold second public reading of the proposed amended ordinance June 24, 2025.

B. Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington, Treasurer) Consider approval to review the Mayors Recommended Budget for FY 2025 and Public Hearing on the FY2025-26 budget.

4. **Public Participation (limit to 3 minutes)**

5. **Mayor and Council**

6. **Adjournment**

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

To: Byron Nolen, Mayor

Date: June 18, 2025

From: Jerome Bivins, DPS Director Date for Council's Consideration: June 24, 2025

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the City of Inkster Code of Ordinance, Sections 52.00, 52.01, 52.10 and 52.11, pertaining to Water Standards of Operation; Service, to hold second public reading of the proposed amended ordinance June 24, 2025.

Current Action X Emergency Future

Funds Budgeted: Account # No N/A

Mayor's Approval Byron. H. Nolen

BACKGROUND:

Amend the existing ordinance to adopt definitions and new water standards of operation language as it pertains to water shut off.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

To provide clear understanding of the definitions and the process for shutting off water for non-compliances of the ordinance.

JUSTIFICATION:

To update the water supply ordinance with clear definitions and shut off procedures.

PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS:

Enhance Public Safety

COSTS:

N/A

PROJECTED TIME TABLE:

A second reading of the text amendment and a public hearing will be held during the special Council meeting on June 24, 2025, and presented for council approval at the June 24, 2025 special council meeting. If approved by Council, the amendment will be published and posted and become effective immediately.

RESOLUTION:

Authorization is hereby given to hold a public hearing and offer a second reading on an amendment to City of Inkster of Ordinance, being Sections 52.00, 52.01, 52.10 and 52.11 pertaining to Water Standards of Operation: Service procedures.

Resolved by

Seconded by

Yes:
No:
Absent:

CHAPTER 52: WATER

Section

Standards of Operation; Service

52.00 Definitions

- 52.01 Application for water service, service connections and meters
- 52.02 Water mains; use of water
- 52.03 Fire hydrants
- 52.04 Cross connections
- 52.05 Manifold service connections
- 52.06 Plumbing specifications; responsibility and expenses
- 52.07 Extension of service lines beyond property limits
- 52.08 Disconnecting unused service lines
- 52.09 Turning water on or off; charges
- 52.10 Shutting off or withholding supply of water
- 52.11 Interruption of service; damage to property
- 52.12 Performance of work requiring experience and specialized equipment
- 52.13 Billing and collection practices for services
- 52.14 Emergency water use restrictions
- 52.15 Temporary emergency sprinkling restrictions

Water Supply Cross Connections

- 52.25 Water supply cross connection rules
- 52.26 Provisions to be supplemental
- 52.27 Inspection of possible cross connections
- 52.28 Right of entry for purpose of inspection; refusal of information
- 52.29 Discontinuance of water service
- 52.30 Labeling of water outlets
- 52.31 Backflow prevention assembly testing

Administration and Enforcement

52.40 Authority of Council to control water supply system

52.41 Responsibility of Mayor for administration

52.42 Authority of department employees; right of entry

52.99 Penalty

STANDARDS OF OPERATION; SERVICE

§ 52.01 DEFINITIONS

Water Department and Department – The Water Department and, or the staff and their designated representative of the Department of Public Services operating and maintaining the City of Inkster water distribution system.

Customer – All customers supplied by water from the City of Inkster water distribution system.

The Detroit Water Board – The supplier of treated potable water to the City of Inkster water distribution system or their successor such as the Great Lakes Water Authority.

§ 52.01 APPLICATION FOR WATER SERVICE; SERVICE CONNECTIONS AND METERS.

(A) Tenants residing on streets that may be served by water may apply for water service, provided that the cost for the installation of service connection must be paid in full at the time of application.

(B) Application for service connections shall be made by a master plumber only at the main office of the Water Department on a printed form furnished by the Department.

(C) Water meters.

(1) Ownership.

(a) All meters shall be and remain the property of the Department, which shall maintain all meters in service, making such periodic tests and repairs as are necessary to insure correct registration. The customer shall be charged for only those repairs made necessary by damage caused by willful act, carelessness or neglect of the occupant, such as failing to protect the meter from freezing temperatures, or allowing the hot water to back through the line to the meter.

(b) All persons are forbidden to interfere with or remove a water meter from any service connection without first receiving permission from the Department.

(2) Responsibility.

(a) The owner of the property is responsible for the safekeeping of meters installed on his premises and shall, if the meter is lost or stolen from the premises, be charged with the actual cost of replacing the missing equipment.

(b) In the event that any meter is found defective or fails to register, the customer will be charged an estimated sum based upon the amount of water consumption of the preceding similar quarter.

(c) The owner of the property is responsible for the plumbing inside the structure up to and including the shutoff valves at the inlet and outlet piping of the water meter.

(3) Setting and locating of meters.

(a) Meters and their valves will not be allowed in closets or compartments that are kept locked, in coal bins, in or under toilet room floors, under buildings, porches, show windows, show boards or where they are difficult of access.

(b) All meters shall be set horizontally in dry, clean, sanitary places perfectly accessible, with gate valves on both sides, and where a small leak and the spilling of water will do no damage.

(c) The plumber shall install connections ready to receive the meter in a location to be approved by the Department.

(4) Meter wells.

(a) Upon special permission being granted by the Department, meters may be installed in meter wells of a type approved by the Department.

(b) Should it be impossible to drain a meter well, the owner or occupant must, under penalty of having the water shut off, pump out said well whenever required by the Department.

(5) Remote (outside) reading devices for water meters.

(a) Any structure hereafter built or moved within the city requiring the installation of water meters shall be so constructed so that the remote reading device connected to the water meter shall be located outside of the building which shall be easily accessible to the personnel of the Water Department.

(b) The Water Department is hereby authorized upon request of property owner to alter all water meters presently located inside of any building within the city, so that a remote reading device connected to said water meter is outside of such building in a location convenient and accessible to the personnel of the Water Department. The cost of such alteration shall be initially paid for out of funds of the Water Department.

(c) The owner or owners of buildings, wherein inside water meters are located, and which are to be altered for outside reading devices, in accordance with division (C)(5)(b) of this section, are to repay to the Water Department the sum as set from time to time by Council resolution to help defray the cost of altering said water meter. Said amount shall be

repaid in quarterly installments by adding same to the quarterly water bill of said owner or owners, and shall be considered a proper water charge.

(d) The city, through its Water Department, shall determine type, location and number of remote reading devices required for any service.

(Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64; Am. Ord. 490, passed 3-17-75)

§ 52.02 WATER MAINS; USE OF WATER.

No person shall tap or connect any water mains or insert a service connection therein, nor open or close any valves or hydrants, nor molest or interfere with any valve or valve box cover, water meter, detector check valve or other part of the system, excepting employees of the Water Department or except upon written permission from the office of the Department, or in case of fire.

('68 Code, § 7-103(1)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.03 FIRE HYDRANTS.

(A) No person shall, save for the purpose of extinguishing fire, open any fire hydrants on the water supply system or tamper with the same or use the water therefrom, nor shall any person in any manner obstruct the use of any fire hydrant in the city or have, or place or allow to be placed any material or thing in front thereof; and any or all material found as an obstruction as aforesaid may be forthwith removed by the officers and employees of the Water Department and at the risk, cost and expense of the owner or claimant.

(B) In the discretion of the Department, permits may be issued for opening fire hydrants and to use water therefrom for construction purposes, provided a deposit is made with the Department. The City Council shall determine the cost of this permit by resolution.

('68 Code, § 7-103(2)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.04 CROSS CONNECTIONS.

No cross connection between pipes connected with the water supply system and another source of water supply shall be permitted for any purpose whatsoever.

('68 Code, § 7-106(10)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.05 MANIFOLD SERVICE CONNECTIONS.

In all cases where manifold service connections are desired, and all buildings divided into separate business places, permits may be issued only after approval of the Water

Department. In every case of a manifold connection there must be a master stop, also a stop for each branch therefrom.

('68 Code, § 7-106(11)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.06 PLUMBING SPECIFICATIONS; RESPONSIBILITY AND EXPENSES.

Applicants will be held responsible for the proper execution of the applications for water service and service connections. All expenses incurred by reason of incorrect information given shall be charged to and paid for by the applicant.

(A) All service connections under three inches and pipes from the water mains to the lot lines shall be furnished and installed by the Water Department. On service connections three inches and over the city will tap the main and install the valve.

(B) No service connection will be installed when the section of the service line installed by the plumber is in line with a driveway, tree, fire hydrant, catch basin or other obstruction.

(C) The charge for each service connection, as established by the City Council, must be paid at the time of application.

(D) All new service pipes connecting with the distributing mains under three inches shall be type "K" copper or such other material as is approved by the Department, and shall have an inside diameter of at least 3/4 inches. All new service pipes three inches or larger in diameter may be cast iron. Specifications of such pipe shall be approved by the Department before installation.

(E) All service connections shall be five feet below finished grade and inspected by the city before being backfilled.

(F) All service connections must be installed at least six feet from the existing gas service. Before installing water connections, the plumber must check the location of gas service. Service pipes must be uniform in size in their entirety. Joints between lengths of copper tubing must be of the flange type and well made.

(G) When premises have a cellar or basement, service pipes must be extended into the same and branches taken therefrom on the outlet side of the meter.

(H) It is expressly forbidden for any plumber to lay a service pipe inside of a building, along the outside wall, or in any position where there is danger of frost; also, to make new connections, or to install any new attachments or fixtures to old connections, that shall require a running stream to prevent freezing.

(I) Unusual conditions not specifically contemplated herein shall be reported to the Council for disposition, and the ruling of the Council thereon shall be final.

(J) Water lines will not be allowed to cross public streets or alleys without permission of the Department.

(K) When a new service line is required, the owner of the property must have all unused service connections entering the property disconnected at the street main. Where a new building is erected upon a property, and an existing service line is used, all unused lines entering said property must be disconnected at the street main. Plumbers shall acquaint themselves as to the existence of old service lines.

(L) Charges for disconnecting all services, except those in the same trench as the new service and of the screw type, shall be borne by the parties applying for the disconnection.

(M) Meters shall be installed with clearance distances in accordance with requirements of the Department.

(N) Bypasses and meter connections the same size as the service lines will be required on all meters 1-1/2 inches and larger in size. Bypasses will not be allowed on 1-inch and smaller meters. The bypasses and meter connections shall be constructed according to drawings furnished by the Department.

(O) The Department shall require all private fire lines and sprinkler systems to be metered. The applicant must purchase the meter.

(P) No reciprocating pump shall be attached directly to the city mains unless the same shall be used exclusively for fire purposes.

('68 Code, § 7-107) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64; Am. Ord. 242, passed 4-19-65) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.07 EXTENSION OF SERVICE LINES BEYOND PROPERTY LIMITS.

No extension shall be made to a service line or water pipe for the purpose of conveying water to a point beyond the limits of the property for which the water line was installed as recorded on the original application for water service, except in such cases as may be authorized by the City Council.

('68 Code, § 7-106(7)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.08 DISCONNECTING UNUSED SERVICE LINES.

The Water Department reserves the right to disconnect from the main any unused and nonrevenue producing service connection if the cost of maintenance of such service connection becomes excessive or for such other reasons as are deemed sufficient by the Department. In case water service is desired at the same location at some later date, application for water service and for a service connection will be required. The charge for the installation for the new service connection will be at the regular rate.

('68 Code, § 7-106(1)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.09 TURNING WATER ON OR OFF; CHARGES.

(A) Water shall be turned off promptly by the Water Department upon request, or turned on promptly, provided all rules of the Department have been complied with, except that water will not ordinarily be turned on or off in the absence of a person responsible for the premises. The Department, however, shall not shut off a supply of water where such action would involve the City Council in a controversy between other parties, regarding a matter beyond the jurisdiction of the Department.

('68 Code, § 7-106(2))

(B) No charge shall be made for turning water on or off except where water is turned on after it has been turned off for nonpayment of the bill.

('68 Code, § 7-106(3)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.10 SHUTTING OFF OR WITHHOLDING SUPPLY OF WATER.

(A) No owner or occupant of any building or premises shall be allowed to supply water to another building through a pipe line connected from owner's or occupant's building to another family, firm or corporation building, except by permission of the City Council, or permit any unnecessary waste of water. If found doing so, the supply of water may be shut off at the option of the Department.

(B) The supply of water may be withheld from premises when the ordinances of the city and rules and regulations of the Department have in any manner been violated. If any person shall, after the water has been shut off from any premises, cause or suffer such premises to be supplied with water without permission from the Department, such premises shall be disconnected from the distribution pipe of the Department and the cost of such disconnection and reconnection charged to the premises.

(C) Water service shutoff procedure. Upon receiving the information pursuant to paragraph (B) above and determining that conditions exist justifying the shutoff of a water service, the Department shall mail or personally serve upon the customer(s) a notice of shutoff. The notice shall contain the following:

- (1) The dates and times when the customer was notified to contact the Department or to arrange an appointment to provide access to the Department.
- (2) Information, including a phone number, so that the customer may contact the Department to make an appointment to provide access to the customer's premises.
- (3) The customer shall have thirty (30) days from the date of the notice of shutoff to make an appointment with the Department, pursuant to terms

contained in the shutoff notice: to arrange an appointment whereby the Department shall have access to the customer's premises in order to perform the work in question. The customer shall have sixty (60) days from the date of the notice of shutoff to provide all access necessary to have the work performed. The Department shall have authority to discontinue water service sixty days from the date of the notice for noncompliance.

(4) The notification shall state that the customer may, prior to the shutoff date, dispute, in writing to the Department, that it failed to contact the Department as required herein, or that the failure to have the work performed was not the result of the customer's failure to contact the Department.

(5) If the Department determines that the customer's notification of dispute is untimely it shall proceed as if the customer had not notified the Department of the present dispute.

(6) If the Department determines that the customer's notification of dispute is not untimely or invalid on its face, the Department, within three (3) days after receipt of the customer's notice, shall arrange a meeting between the customer and an official from the Department of Public Services Department to resolve the dispute including arranging a time whereby the Department shall have sufficient access to perform the work in question.

(7) If the Customer fails to appear at this meeting or otherwise fails to provide the required access within fifteen (15) days from the date of the meeting the Department shall proceed as if the customer had not notified the Department of the dispute.

(8) The Department shall shutoff water service for failure to provide access to replace the water meter only during the hours of 9:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. No shutoffs shall be permitted on a legal holiday or on the day before a legal holiday.

('68 Code, § 7-106(9)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.11 INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE; DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

(A) The Water Department will exercise reasonable diligence and care to deliver a continuous and sufficient supply of water to the customer as furnished by the Detroit Water Board or its successor under the supply, but the Department assumes no liability for any loss or damage occasioned thereby.

('68 Code, § 7-106(4))

(B) Whenever the Department finds it necessary to interrupt water service to any district or section that it serves, it shall when possible or practicable give advance notice to the consumers affected. If the customer fails to respond to advance notifications, fails to attend scheduled appointments, or fails to provide access to the Department equipment located on private property section 52.10 (B) of this ordinance shall be carried out.

('68 Code, § 7-105(5))

(C) The Department will in no case be liable for damage caused by, or in any way arising out of, running or escape of water from faucets, burst pipes or faulty fixtures on the premises. Every service line is equipped with a control valve which may be used by the customer when necessary to shut off the water supply to the entire premises. Upon request, day or night, the Department will shut off such control valve for emergency purposes and will turn on after repairs have been made.

('68 Code, § 7-106(6)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.12 PERFORMANCE OF WORK REQUIRING EXPERIENCE AND SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT.

As an accommodation to the public utilities, or other parties, the Water Department may move its mains, services or other parts of its distribution system, or perform such other work as requires the experience and specialized equipment of the Department. Such work shall be undertaken only upon purchase order or a cash deposit to cover the estimated cost of the job. When the work is completed and costs determined, detailed bills shall be rendered.

('68 Code, § 7-106(8)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.13 BILLING AND COLLECTION PRACTICES FOR SERVICES.

(A) Schedule of rates. The City Council shall from time to time by resolution set the following rates:

- (1) Consumption rates.
- (2) Monthly service charge.
- (3) Penalty for late payment.
- (4) Service connection charges.
- (5) Debt service charges.

(B) The schedule for reading of meters, method of billing and delivery of bills shall be set by resolution of the Council.

(C) Payment of bills. Water bills are payable at the office of the Water Department. Bills paid to any other person, concern or agency are so paid at the risk of the customer.

(D) Collection of delinquent accounts. Whenever the rates fixed by the Council or charges made by the Department for services rendered are not paid, the water may be shut off and collection enforced in accordance with the laws of the state and/or by placing said amounts on the city tax roll.

(E) Shut-off notice. Customers whose bills are unpaid 30 days past the due date will be subject to shut-off without further notice. A statement to this effect will be placed on the original bill. An additional penalty determined by Council resolution will then be charged to the customer and shall be paid together with all unpaid charges before service will be turned on again. If said bill is not paid within 90 days of the due date, said amount shall be placed on the next general tax roll and collected as part of the general city taxes.

(F) Temporary service connections.

(1) The term temporary service connection is applied to a connection installed to serve an individual, firm or corporation for a definite temporary period for such purposes as supplying water to a construction project or to a temporary structure.

(2) The Department reserves the right to refuse to install a temporary service connection for any reason that it deems sufficient.

('68 Code, § 7-105) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64; Am. Ord. 361, passed 6-1-70; Am. Ord. 848, passed 10-15-14)

§ 52.14 EMERGENCY WATER USE RESTRICTIONS.

(A) In the event the water pressure of the city water system is reduced to such a degree as to create a dangerous shortage and health hazard, the City Council may by resolution restrict the use of water for various purposes and for various periods of time. Such resolution shall become effective when published in the same manner as an ordinance is, and said resolution shall remain in effect until rescinded by Council resolution.

(B) Any person, firm or corporation who violates the terms and conditions of such a resolution shall be deemed in violation of this chapter.

('68 Code, § 7-108) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64) Penalty, see § 52.99

§ 52.15 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SPRINKLING RESTRICTIONS.

(A) Whenever the Manager or highest ranking operating official of the City of Inkster receives notification from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department in conjunction with the Water and Radiological Protection Division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality that the supply or pressure demand for water cannot be accommodated and general welfare is likely to be endangered, or conditions within the

water system of the City of Inkster are likely to endanger the general welfare of the City of Inkster, the Manager or the highest ranking operating official shall determine that a state of emergency exists and prescribe the following emergency regulations which shall apply in the City of Inkster for all properties connected to the City of Inkster water system: Sprinkling of lawns and landscaping and all outdoor water use shall be allowed for properties with even-numbered addresses on even-numbered dates within a month and for properties with odd-numbered addresses on odd-numbered dates within a month.

(B) Whenever the Manager or the highest ranking operating official received notification from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department in conjunction with the Drinking Water and Radiological Protection Division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality that provisions in division (A) of this section are not sufficient, or conditions within the water system of the City of Inkster are likely to endanger the general welfare of the City of Inkster, the following emergency regulations shall apply in the City of Inkster for all properties connected to the City of Inkster water system: Sprinkling of lawns and landscaping and all outdoor water use shall not be allowed.

(C) (1) The City of Inkster and the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department shall, within 24 hours of notification, cause these regulations to be posted at the City of Inkster office and publicly announced by means of broadcasts or telecasts by the stations with a normal operating range covering the City of Inkster, and may cause such announcement to be further declared in newspapers of general circulation when feasible.

(2) The regulations shall become effective immediately after notice of enforcement of the ordinance as posted at the City of Inkster offices.

(3) Upon notification from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department in conjunction with the Drinking Water and Radiological Protection Division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality that the emergency regulations are no longer necessary, the city shall cause a public announcement lifting the water restrictions.

(Ord. 755, passed 7-15-96) Penalty, see § 52.99

WATER SUPPLY CROSS CONNECTIONS

§ 52.25 WATER SUPPLY CROSS CONNECTION RULES.

The city adopts by reference the Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Public Health, being R325.11401 to R325.11407 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

('68 Code, § 7-109) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.26 PROVISIONS TO BE SUPPLEMENTAL.

This subchapter does not supercede the State Plumbing Code and §§ 150.080 through 150.083, but is supplementary to them.

('68 Code, § 7-114) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.27 INSPECTION OF POSSIBLE CROSS CONNECTIONS.

It shall be the duty of the city to cause inspections to be made of all properties served by the public water supply where cross connections with the public water supply is deemed possible. The frequency of inspections and reinspections based on potential health hazards involved shall be as established by the City Water Department and as approved by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

('68 Code, § 7-110) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.28 RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PURPOSE OF INSPECTION; REFUSAL OF INFORMATION.

The representative of the City Water Department shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply system of the city for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof for cross connections. On request, the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so served shall furnish to the City Water Department any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of such information or refusal of access, when requested, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connections.

('68 Code, § 7-111) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.29 DISCONTINUANCE OF WATER SERVICE.

The City Water Department is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service after reasonable notice to any property wherein any connection in violation of this subchapter exists, and to take such other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply system. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the cross connection has been eliminated in compliance with the provisions of this subchapter.

('68 Code, § 7-112) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.30 LABELING OF WATER OUTLETS.

The potable water supply made available on the properties served by the public water supply shall be protected from possible contamination as specified by this subchapter and by the state and city plumbing code. Any water outlet which could be used for potable or

domestic purposes and which is not supplied by the potable system must be labeled in a conspicuous manner as:

WATER UNSAFE
FOR DRINKING

('68 Code, § 7-113) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

§ 52.31 BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TESTING.

That all testable backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested initially upon installation to be sure that the assembly is working properly. Subsequent testing of assemblies shall be on an annual basis as required by the City of Inkster and in accordance with Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements. Residential water customers shall receive testing notices every three years or every five years for non-chemically treated lawn irrigation systems. Only individuals that are approved by the city and State of Michigan certified shall be qualified to perform such testing. That individual(s) shall certify the results of his/her testing.

(Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

§ 52.40 AUTHORITY OF COUNCIL TO CONTROL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

Pursuant to and as provided by the City Charter, the City Council through such agents or employees as it shall see fit to employ is invested with and shall exercise full authority over and control of the water supply system and extensions thereof, also the maintenance and operation of said water supply system, and shall have authority to enforce all regulations adopted with respect thereto.

('68 Code, § 7-101) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.41 RESPONSIBILITY OF MAYOR FOR ADMINISTRATION.

(A) The Mayor shall be charged with the administration of the Water Department and from time to time shall employ such administrative assistants and employees as may be necessary to efficiently operate the Water Department.

(B) The rules and regulations hereinafter named shall be considered a part of the contract with every person, firm or corporation who is supplied with water through the water supply system of the city.

(C) In all cases where any unusual circumstances make it necessary to deviate from the regular rules, special permission must first be received from the City Council.

('68 Code, § 7-102) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64; Am. Ord. 857, passed 4-17-17)

§ 52.42 AUTHORITY OF DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES; RIGHT OF ENTRY.

The duly constituted authorities of the city shall have the power and authority at all reasonable hours to enter upon any premises where water service is established for the purpose of testing, changing or reading water meters, installing water meters, or for making general inspection of water usage, wastage, and the like, and making an examination of all pipes and fixtures connected with said waterworks. They shall have power and authority to require any pipes and fixtures to be repaired, removed, replaced or changed where the same are defective or not in compliance with the provisions of the ordinances of the city or the rules and regulations in relation to the waterworks of the city; and shall make such alterations and repairs or do other acts with relation thereto as they shall deem necessary.

('68 Code, § 7-103(2)) (Ord. 215, passed 4-20-64)

§ 52.99 PENALTY.

Any person or customer found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this chapter, or any written order of the City Water Department in pursuance thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 and the costs of prosecution or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court for each violation. Each day upon which a violation of the provisions of this chapter shall occur shall be deemed a separate and additional violation for the purpose of this chapter.

('68 Code, § 7-115) (Ord. 505, passed 4-5-76; Am. Ord. 859, passed 7-17-17)