

Town of Century, Florida

AGENDA ITEM

Date: August 5, 2025

Title: First Reading – Cross Connection Control Ordinance

Department: Administration

Presenter: Howard W. Brown, Jr., Interim Town Manager

Recommended Action:

Conduct the first reading of the proposed Cross Connection Control Ordinance and authorize advertisement for second reading and public hearing.

Summary:

The proposed ordinance establishes a Cross Connection Control Program for the Town of Century to protect the public water system from contamination due to actual or potential cross-connections. The ordinance provides clear requirements for backflow prevention, inspections, enforcement, and compliance in accordance with state and federal regulations.

Highlights of the Ordinance Include:

- Establishment of authority and responsibility for enforcing cross-connection control
- Requirement for approved backflow prevention assemblies
- Guidelines for testing and maintenance
- Penalties for non-compliance and administrative enforcement processes
- Compliance with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and EPA Safe Drinking Water Act

Fiscal Impact:

There is no direct fiscal impact to the Town from this ordinance; however, property owners and businesses may incur testing and installation costs related to backflow devices.

Legal Review:

The Town Attorney has reviewed the draft ordinance and confirmed that it meets applicable regulatory requirements.

Supporting Documents:

- Draft Ordinance: “Cross Connection Control Ordinance (7.30.25)”

Next Steps:

If approved on first reading, the ordinance will be scheduled for second reading and public hearing at the next regular Town Council meeting on August 19, 2025.