

**PALMER LAKE, COLORADO**

**ORDINANCE NO. 07-2022**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13.09.050 OF CHAPTER 13.09 OF THE PALMER LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION, SUBSECTION 13.09.050(M), RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR RPZ'S (REDUCED PRESSURE ZONE BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES) ON COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado, pursuant to Colorado statute and the Palmer Lake Municipal Code, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado;

**WHEREAS**, the Town had previously adopted regulations related to backflow prevention and cross-connection controls in order to protect the Town's water system, with such regulations being contained in Chapter 13.09; and,

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the Citizens of Palmer Lake by further protecting the Town's water system, the Board desires to amend the requirements of Chapter 13.09 relating to backflow prevention and cross-connection controls.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Subsection 13.09.050 of Chapter 13.09 of Title 13 of the Palmer Lake Municipal Code shall be amended by adding a new subsection, subsection 13.09.050(M), as indicated below, with such new subsection 13.09.050(M) to read in its entirety as follows:

**13.09.050(M).**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, Chapter 13.09, all Commercial water system service connections must have an RPZ (reduced pressure zone) backflow prevention assembly installed downstream of the meter or as close to that location as deemed practical by the Town. Such assembly must be installed within 120 days of the effective date of this Ordinance. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, Chapter 13.09, Commercial water system service connections that currently have a check valve must replace said check valve with an RPZ upon the end of the useful life of said check valve.

2. All other portions of Chapter 13.09 of Title 13 of the Palmer Lake Municipal Code remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

3. Severability. If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each part or parts thereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

4. Repeal. Existing ordinances or parts of ordinances covering the same matters embraced in this ordinance are hereby repealed and all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed except that this repeal shall not affect or prevent the prosecution or punishment of any person for any act done or committed in violation of any ordinance hereby repealed prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED AND ADOPTED AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE ON THIS 31<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2022.**

ATTEST:

TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO

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Julia Stambaugh, Town Deputy Clerk

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Bass, Mayor