

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-16

**ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE V, CHAPTER 52, REGARDING
OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE GREENFIELD WATER UTILITY**

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Water Utility Department Head, the Common Council of the City of Greenfield, Indiana, believes it is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Greenfield, Indiana, as well as the effective management of the Greenfield Water Utility service, that said provisions of said Code of Ordinances be amended by the addition of § 52.17, Cross Connection; and

WHEREAS, 675 Indiana Administrative Code, Article 16, Rule 1.4, of the Indiana Plumbing Code, as adopted by the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, requires protection of the public water supply from contaminants due to backflow through connections to fire protection and standpipe systems; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management authorizes the maintenance of a continuing program of cross-connection control which will systematically and effectively prevent the contamination of all potable water systems.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Greenfield, Indiana that:

SECTION I

Title V, Chapter 52, of the Code of Ordinances of Greenfield, Indiana, shall be amended by the addition of § 52.17, Cross Connection, as set forth below:

§ 52.17 CROSS CONNECTION.

A. Definitions.

- a. That a cross connection shall be defined as any physical connection or arrangement between two otherwise separate systems, one of which contains potable water from the City water system, and the other, water from a private source, water of unknown or questionable safety, or steam, gases, or chemicals, whereby there may be a flow from one system to the other, the direction of flow depending on the pressure differential between the two systems.
- b. For the purpose of this subchapter the following definitions shall apply. Words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural include the singular and words in the singular include the plural. The word "shall" is always meant to be mandatory and not merely directory.

B. Cross Connection Prohibited.

- a. That no person, firm, or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or maintain or permit to be maintained any cross connection. No interconnection shall be established whereby potable water from a private, auxiliary, or emergency water supply other than the regular public water supply of City of Greenfield may enter the supply or distribution 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 Greenfield Water Utility and by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management in accordance with 327 IAC 8-10.
- b. The City of Greenfield Standards and Specifications shall be the guidance of all back flow prevention policies as required by federal, state, and City authorities.

C. Inspection.

- a. That upon presentation of credentials, the representative of the Greenfield Water Utility shall have the right to request entry at any reasonable time to examine the property served by a connection to the public water system of the City of Greenfield for cross connections.
- b. On request, the owner, lessee, or occupant of any property so served shall furnish to the inspection agency any pertinent information regarding the piping system or systems on such property. The refusal of access or refusal of requested pertinent information shall be deemed evidence of the presence of cross connection.

D. Discontinuation of service.

- a. That the Greenfield Water Utility is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of this ordinance exists, and to take such other precautionary measures deemed necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water system.
 - i. Water service shall be discontinued only after reasonable notice is served on the owner, lessee, or occupants of the property or premises where a violation is found or suspected to exist.
 - ii. Water service to such property shall not be restored until the cross connection(s) has been eliminated in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.
- b. That, if it is deemed by the Greenfield Water Utility that a cross connection or an emergency endangers public health, safety, or welfare and requires immediate action, and a written finding to that effect is filed with the Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Greenfield and delivered to the consumer's premises, service may be immediately discontinued. The consumer shall have an opportunity for hearing with the Board of Public Works and Safety at the next scheduled meeting of such emergency discontinuance.

E. Back flow prevention device required.

- a. That all consumers using toxic or hazardous liquids, all hospitals, mortuaries, wastewater treatment plants, laboratories, and all other hazardous users shall install and maintain a reduced pressure principal backflow preventer in the main water line serving each building on the premises. Any and all backflow preventer must be installed in an easily accessible location above finished grade, not in a vault, and not subject to flooding or freezing.
- b. That this ordinance does not supersede the Indiana Plumbing Code, or the IDEM Rule 327 IAC 8-10, but is supplementary to it.
- c. That the City of Greenfield Public Improvement and Design Specifications and Standards shall be the guidance of all backflow prevention policies as required by federal, state and City authorities.
- d. That if, in the judgment of the Water Utility Manager, an approved backflow prevention device is necessary for the safety of the public water system; the Greenfield Water Utility Manager will give notice to the water consumer to install such an approved device immediately. The water consumer shall, at his own expenses, install such an approved device at a location and in a manner approved by the Greenfield Water Utility Manager and shall have inspections and tests made of such approved devices as required by the Water Utility Manager and in accordance with the IDEM Rule 327 IAC 8-10.

SECTION II

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval by the Mayor, and publication as prescribed by law.

SECTION III

Introduced and filed on the ____ day of _____, 2018. A motion to consider on first reading on the day of introduction was offered and sustained by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed pursuant to I.C. 36-5-2-9.8. On the ____ day of _____, 2018, a motion to approve the above on second reading was offered and sustained by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed pursuant to I.C. 36-5-2-9.8. Upon a motion to approve the above on third reading was offered and sustained by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed pursuant to I.C. 36-5-2-9.8.

Duly ordained and passed this ____ day of _____, 2018 by the Common Council of the City of Greenfield, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed.

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENFIELD, INDIANA

Voting Affirmative:

Voting Opposed:

Kerry Grass

Kerry Grass

Jeff Lowder

Jeff Lowder

Gary McDaniel

Gary McDaniel

Keely Butrum

Keely Butrum

Mitch Pendlum

Mitch Pendlum

Dan Riley

Dan Riley

Joe Skvarenina

Joe Skvarenina

ATTEST:

Lori Elmore, Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor this ____ day of _____, 2018.

Lori Elmore, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2018.

Chuck Fewell, Mayor
City of Greenfield, Indiana