

Ordinance 2023-10

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING FEES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTALLATION OF LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEMS FOR THE CITY OF BENTON KANSAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BENTON, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Amends the City Codes of Benton Kansas as follows:

Chapter 4, Building and Construction –

Add - Article 10. Lawn Irrigation Systems

4-1001

(a) It shall be unlawful to install an inground lawn irrigation system directly connected to the city freshwater system without first making application to and receiving a permit from the city clerk, after approval by the chief building official or his or her authorized assistant. The application for such permit shall be made and the permit obtained before any installation work is commenced. A onetime fee of \$25 shall be paid prior to obtaining the required permit.

(b) No permit shall be required for making minor repairs to previously installed systems such as replacing sprinkler head or fixing minor leaks not directly associated with the connection to city water.

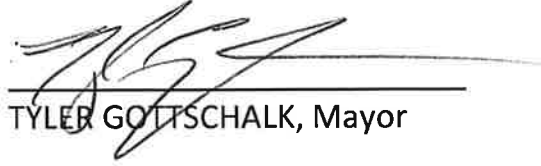
(c) All new and previously installed operating lawn irrigation systems must have a backflow device as part of the system when connected to the city water supply. This backflow device is required to prevent contamination of the city freshwater system. An inspection verifying proper operation of the backflow device must be performed by a technician certified by the state of Kansas or Butler county. This inspection is required to be performed every two years, in even-numbered years (for example 2024, 2026...), no later than 1 July. Backflow device testing results must be filed with the city clerk by the testing technician. A \$10 per month late fee will be assessed each month past the annual deadline until compliance is met.

SECTION 2. Amend the official city table of fees, fines and permits

Update and publish the official city table of Fees, Fines and Permits to include the requirement stated in Section 1. (attached below)

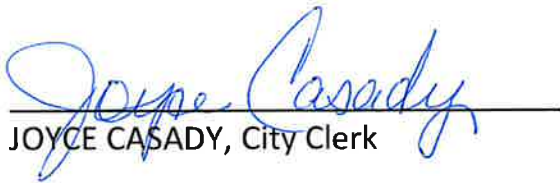
ADOPTED AND PASSED by the governing body of the City of Benton, Kansas on August 21st, 2023 and;

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor.



TYLER GOTTSCHALK, Mayor

ATTEST:



JOYCE CASADY, City Clerk