## **ORDINANCE NO. 1758**

## AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BACKFLOW PREVENTION PROGRAM BY AMEDNING SECTION 290 (CUSTOMER OBLIGATIONS) OF CHAPTER 13.04 OF TITLE 13 (UTILITIES CODE) OF THE FOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the Utilities Department ("Utilities") is responsible for the administration of and compliance with the Utilities Code, Chapter 13.04 of the Fountain Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Utilities has had a backflow program since 2002, although backflow compliance was generally governed by the State; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado enacted certain rules that required local water systems to enforce state backflow regulations, including phased compliance; and

WHEREAS, these changes to the Water Regulations are required to comply with the Colorado requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fountain, Colorado:

**Section 1**. The recitals set forth in this ordinance are incorporated herein and made a part of this ordinance.

**Section 2.** Section 290 of Chapter 13.04 of the Fountain Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13.04.290. – Customer Obligations.

In addition to other obligations imposed by this Utility Code, customers shall:

- A. Protect infrastructure;
- B. Install, maintain, clean, and repair customer service lines;
- C. Protect their equipment from service failures;
- D. Comply with local, state, and national codes;
- E. Pay for meter repairs and replacement caused by vandalism, other intentional acts, or by negligence, including freezing;
- F. Pay charges;
- G. Maintain a current mailing address;
- H. Locate and avoid underground utilities by using the Colorado 811 utility locate service before digging or drilling; and
- I. Comply with the Backflow Prevention and Cross-Connection Control Program established by the Utilities Director.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force in effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by the City Charter.

Introduced, read by title and passed this 26th day of January, 2021, by the City Council, City of Fountain, Colorado, signed by the Mayor, and ordered published by title with a summary written by the City Clerk together with a statement that the ordinance is available for public inspection and acquisition in the office of the City Clerk in the El Paso County Advertiser and News, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Fountain.

Gabriel P. Ortega, Mayor

ATTEST: Silvia Huffman, City Clerk

Introduced, read by title, and passed on second and final reading on the 09 day of **February** , 2021, and ordered published by title in the El Paso County Advertiser and News, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Fountain, Colorado, in accordance with the City Charter.

Gabriel P. Ortega, Mayor

ATTEST:

Silvia Huffman, City Clerk