

**ORDINANCE NO. 1092**

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING INSTALLATION OF BACKFLOW DEVICES WHEN CONVERTING FROM DOMESTIC ON SITE WATER SUPPLY TO CITY WATER SUPPLY**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Prineville is seeing an increase in the conversion from private onsite domestic water systems to City supplied water services;

**AND WHEREAS:** The City of Prineville currently requires the installation of a backflow device where irrigation systems maybe connected to City served domestic water services;

**AND WHEREAS:** At the time of conversion to City supplied water services, private onsite domestic water systems may remain in service for the purpose of providing irrigation water, leaving a potential for cross connection with City water supplies.

**AND WHEREAS:** In accordance with U.S.Public Health Service requirements, cross over systems are prohibited;

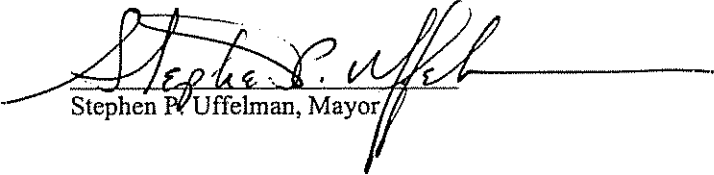
**AND WHEREAS:** The City of Prineville is responsible for insuring its water supply and systems remain safe from contamination;

**AND WHEREAS:** The only method available to insure cross connection and potential contamination of City water supply systems will not occur from private onsite domestic water supply systems is to require a backflow device be installed at the City water meter at the time of connection;

**NOW THEREFORE THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1) That City of Prineville Water Department hereby requires in cases where real property was previously supplied water by a private on-site domestic water system, a backflow device shall be installed at the property-side of the City water meter prior to the property being connected to the City water system.
- 2) The property owner or customer shall be responsible for providing, installing and maintaining the backflow device. The owner shall be responsible for annual testing of required backflow device on a schedule set by the City. Such testing shall be done by a person certified to do so by the State of Oregon. Test results shall be furnished annually to the City within one week of the testing.
- 3) Penalty. Any property owner violating this ordinance shall be fined in an amount not to exceed \$500.

DATED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March 2001.

  
Stephen P. Uffelman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Henry Hartley, City Manager/Recorder