

ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

ORDINANCE NO. 3161

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF TITLE 6 OF THE HELENA CITY CODE TO CLARIFY THE ANNUAL TESTING REQUIREMENT FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA:

That Rule 25 in Chapter 2 of Title 6 of the Helena City
Code is hereby amended as follows:

RULE 25: When a backflow prevention device is required under
the applicable fire, building, or plumbing code as adopted by
the city to prevent the possibility of polluting the city's
water supply, the approved backflow prevention device must be
installed, maintained, replaced, and repaired ~~and tested~~ in
accordance with the applicable uniform code. Backflow
prevention devices must be tested at the time of installation
and at least annually thereafter. Testing must be performed by
a certified backflow prevention assembly tester who holds a
current certificate issued by a certification program of any
state authorizing the person to test backflow prevention devices
or who holds a current certificate from the American Society of
Sanitary Engineers, American Backflow Prevention Association,
Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research,
or the American Water Works Association. The results of testing
must be submitted to the city ~~not less than~~ within thirty (30)

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days after the test. If the test shows that the device is defective or inoperative, the device must be repaired or replaced within thirty (30) days after the test and verification of the repair or replacement must be provided to the city no later than fifteen (15) days after the repair or replacement. If the results of required testing are not timely provided to the city or needed repairs or replacements are not timely made, the city may terminate water service to the property after providing a fifteen (15) day notice of its intent to do so, except if there is imminent threat of pollution to the water supply the city may immediately terminate water service without prior notice, but must provide notice of the reason for the termination within five (5) working days. For violations of this rule, the city may use any other remedy as authorized by law, including criminal prosecution and civil action. (Ord. 3143, 4-25-2011; amd. Ord. _____, __-__-2012)

FIRST PASSED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 15th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012.

/S/ James E. Smith

MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ Debbie Havens

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION

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FINALLY PASSED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA,
MONTANA, THIS 29th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012.

/S/ James E. Smith

MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ Debbie Havens

CLERK OF THE COMMISSION