

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE
ORDINANCE NO. 771-2019**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO, ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 9.18 OF THE PARACHUTE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND TOWN DRINKING WATER BY PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION OF BACKFLOW EVENTS AND CONTROLLING CROSS CONNECTIONS WITH THE TOWN PUBLIC WATER SERVICE FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Parachute (“Parachute” or the “Town”) is a home-rule municipality organized pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and with the authority of the Parachute Home Rule Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Town owns and operates a municipal water utility pursuant to Chapter 9.17 of the Parachute Municipal Code (the “Code”); and

WHEREAS, backflow events in uncontrolled cross-connections can lead to contamination of public water supplies; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has adopted regulations and guidance requiring public water systems to adopt regulations that ensure that such systems inspect, identify, and take corrective measures including the installation of backflow preventers relating to uncontrolled cross-connections; and

WHEREAS; the Town desires to come into compliance with such regulations to ensure the protection of its water system; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to declare the subject matter of this ordinance to be an emergency and immediately necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, or safety due to the need to ensure the Town’s regulations are in place by the State’s deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it in the public health, safety, and welfare to establish rules under which the Town’s public water utility will inspect, identify, and take corrective actions relating to uncontrolled cross-connections in order to prevent harmful backflow events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. A New Chapter 9.18 of the Parachute Municipal Code is hereby enacted as set forth in Exhibit A to this Ordinance.

Section 3. Declaration of Emergency. Pursuant to the Town of Parachute Home Rule Charter, Section 1-12, the Town Council hereby declares the subject matter of this ordinance to be an emergency and this Ordinance is immediately necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, or safety to ensure the Town's regulations timely conform to State requirements.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, ADOPTED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED BY TITLE ONLY by a vote of 5 to 0 of the Council of the Town of Parachute, Colorado at a regular meeting held at Town Hall in the Town of Parachute, Colorado, on the 18th day of April 2019 and approved by the Mayor on the 18 day of April 2019.

TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO



Ray B McClung

Ray B McClung, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lucy Cordova

Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that an Ordinance entitled:

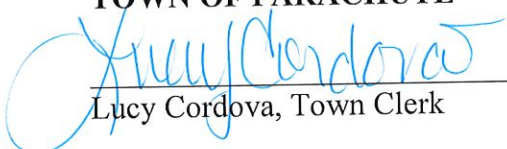
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was introduced before the Town Council on April 18, 2019; that a copy of said Ordinance is posted at Town Hall; and that the Ordinance was approved at a regular meeting of the Town Council held on April 18, 2019, and approved by the Mayor on April 18, 2019.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are available for inspection at the Town Hall, Parachute, Colorado and available on the internet at <http://www.parachutecolorado.com>.

Dated this 18th day of April, 2019.

TOWN OF PARACHUTE



Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk