

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEGUIN, TEXAS, AMENDING THE SEGUIN CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 102, UTILITIES, ARTICLE III, WATER, DIVISION II, CONNECTIONS TO ADD A NEW SECTION 102-106, RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CUSTOMER YARD PIPING; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City's responsibility for its water system does not include the areas on the customer side of the water meter, which, under state law, is considered plumbing; and

WHEREAS, the system wide water pressure may vary greatly; however the City must maintain such a pressure that, at a minimum throughout the system, pressures for fire flow are maintained; and

WHEREAS, due to the nature of a water system some customer may experience higher water pressure; and

WHEREAS, customers, especially those with water softeners or sprinklers, who experience a water pressure greater than 80 pounds per square inch may want to control such pressure with a pressure reducing valve that is installed as a plumbing fixture on the customer side of the meter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Seguin, Texas:

SECTION ONE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 102, Utilities, Article III, Water, Division II, Connections, is hereby amended by the creation of a new Section 102-106, to read as follows:

Sec. 102-106. Responsibilities for Customer Yard Piping.

- (a). The City of Seguin will maintain, repair, and replace water service lines and meters from the distribution main to the outlet side of the meter, including the outlet side meter coupling.
- (b). The customer is responsible for installation, maintenance, repair and replacement of customer side equipment, including, but not limited to, pressure regulating valves and yard piping extending from the outlet side of the meter coupling throughout the remainder of the customer's property in accordance with the plumbing code adopted by the City.
- (c) The customer is responsible for all maintenance of the pressure regulating valve on the customer side of the meter.

SECTION TWO. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this ordinance will continue in force if they can be given effect without the invalid portion.

SECTION THREE. All ordinances and resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

SECTION FOUR. This Ordinance is effective 10 days after the date of its passage on second reading.

SECTION FIVE. City staff is authorized to prepare this Ordinance for submission as a supplement to the Seguin Code of Ordinances.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading this 1st day of May, 2018.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading this 15th day of May, 2018.

DON KEIL, Mayor

ATTEST:

Naomi Manski, City Secretary