



Waynesboro City Council Agenda Briefing

Meeting Date:	September 25, 2023	Staff/Council Member(s): Trafford McRae, Director of Public Works
Agenda Item #	10	
Resolution#		
Department:	Public Works	
Subject:	Cross-Connection Control and Backflow Prevention Code Update	

Background: Backflow Prevention is a program, mandated by the Commonwealth, that prevents contamination of a municipal potable drinking water supply. Impacting mainly commercial, industrial users and residential irrigation systems, the program prevents used or contaminated water from backflowing or back-siphoning into the clean system. Changes in the Code of Virginia necessitate the recommended changes to the City Code.

Division 2 (Cross-Connection Control and Backflow Prevention) of Chapter 86 of the City Code requires an update to align with Commonwealth of Virginia regulations.

The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) revised its *Waterworks Regulations* which necessitates a revision to Division 2 of Chapter 86.

Major items of change in Division 2 concern the licensing of Backflow Prevention Assembly testers and the change from three “Degrees of Hazard” to two (High or Low Hazard).

City Manager’s Recommendation: Receive the information and introduce the ordinance.

Suggested Motion(s): Move introduction of the ordinance bringing Chapter 86 of the City Code into conformity with the Code of Virginia.

Attachments: Ordinance