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**17.02.010**     **Definitions in General.**

The definitions hereinafter given in this chapter shall apply for the entire Title 17 of the Lincoln Municipal Code, except where definitions are elsewhere given for a specific chapter or section, and except where the context in which a term is used expressly or by fair implication indicates a different meaning. (Ord. 11657 §1; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.020**     **Auxiliary Water Supply.**

Auxiliary water supply shall mean any water supply on or available to the premises other than that supplied by the Lincoln Water System. (P.C. §17.02.015; Ord. 13892 §1; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.030**     **Backflow Prevention Assembly.**

Backflow prevention assembly shall mean an assembly that has been approved by the Director which is designed for and effective in preventing any foreign substance from the customer's premises from entering the potable water supply of the Lincoln Water System. (Ord. 18261 §1; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.020; Ord. 13892 §2; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.035**     **Bypass.**

Bypass shall mean the piping arrangement that provides an uninterrupted supply of water to the premises while maintenance, repair, or replacement of the water meter or backflow prevention assembly is performed. (Ord. 18261 §2; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.040**     **Building.**

Building shall mean any single structure used for the support, shelter, or enclosure of persons, animals, chattels, or property of any kind. (P.C. §17.02.030; Ord. 11657 §3; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.050**     **City.**

City shall mean the City of Lincoln, Nebraska. (P.C. §17.02.040; Ord. 11657 §4; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.060**     **Condominium.**

Condominium shall mean one or more buildings, portions of which are designated for separate ownership and the remainder of which is designated for common ownership solely by the owners of those portions. A building is not a condominium unless the undivided interests in the common elements are vested in the owners of the units. (P.C. §17.02.045; Ord. 13892 §3; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.065 Containment.**

Containment shall mean a method of backflow prevention which requires the installation of backflow prevention assemblies at the entrance of the service pipe into the building. (Ord. 18261 §3; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.070 Corporation Stop or Corporation Cock.**

Corporation stop or corporation cock shall mean the valve device which connects the main with the supply pipe, including a tapping sleeve and valve installation, or a tee on a main with a gate valve of the service size installation. (Ord. 18261 §4; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.050: Ord. 11657 §5; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.080 Cross-Connection.**

Cross-connection shall mean any actual or potential connection or structural arrangement between a public or a consumer's potable water system and any other source or system through which it is possible to introduce into the potable water supply of the Lincoln Water System any used water, industrial fluid, gas, or substance other than the intended potable water with which the system is supplied. (P.C. §17.02.060: Ord. 13892 §4; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.090 Curb Stop or Curb Cock.**

Curb stop or curb cock shall mean the valve device which connects the supply pipe with the service pipe. (P.C. §17.02.070: Ord. 11657 §7; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.100 Customer Service Pipe.**

Customer service pipe shall mean the supply connection, supply pipe, service pipe, valves, and related apparatus from the public main to the meter located in either the customer's building or meter vault. (P.C. §17.02.075: Ord. 13892 §5; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.110 Detector-double Check.**

Detector-double check shall mean a backflow prevention assembly designed to detect leakage or an unauthorized use of water from a fire hydrant or hydrants or an automated sprinkler system or to prevent any foreign substance from entering the potable water supply of the Lincoln Water System, either because of reduced water pressure in the city's system or increased pressure in the customer's system. (Ord. 18261 §5; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.077: Ord. 14430 §1; July 14, 1986).

**17.02.120 Director.**

Director shall mean the Director of Public Works and Utilities of the City, or his/her authorized deputy, agent, or representative. (Ord. 19973 §1; December 16, 2013; prior Ord. 18261 §6; November 3, 2003; Ord. 16951 §139; March 11, 1996; P.C. §17.02.080: Ord. 11657 §8; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.130 Double Check Valve Backflow Prevention Assembly (DC).**

Double check valve backflow prevention assembly shall mean a backflow prevention device composed of two single, independently acting, approved check valves, including tightly closing resilient seated shutoff valves attached at each end of the assembly and fitted with properly located resilient seated test cocks. (Ord. 18261 §7; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.085: Ord. 13892 §6; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.150 Fire Flow Meter.**

Fire flow meter shall mean a metering device meeting the requirements of the Underwriters Laboratories for water service to fire fighting devices. A fire flow meter shall be capable of accurately measuring low flows and must be able to accurately measure high flows through an unobstructed waterway of the same size as the service pipe in which it is installed. (P.C. §17.02.100: Ord. 11657 §10; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.160 Fire Suppression System.**

Fire suppression system shall mean any private system used for fire protection in any building or upon any premises which is connected with the city water supply and commences at the point where the underground fire system supply line connects to the tapping sleeve and valve on the city's water main and includes all supply systems, standpipe systems, private hydrants, and all other private emergency systems of fire protection using water directly connected with the city water supply. (P.C. §17.02.110: Ord. 13892 §7; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.170 Individual Curb Stop.**

Individual curb stop shall mean the valve device which connects the supply pipe to the service pipe and controls water to only one premises. (P.C. §17.02.115: Ord. 13892 §8; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.175 Isolation.**

Isolation shall mean a method of backflow prevention which requires the installation of a backflow prevention assembly at the cross-connection within a building or premise. (Ord. 18261 §9; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.180 Lincoln Water System or Water System.**

Lincoln Water System or water system shall mean the property, organization, and operation of the public water supply system, waterworks, water mains, and each and every part thereof. (P.C. §17.02.120: Ord. 13892 §9; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.185 Lot.**

Lot shall mean a specific part of a subdivision, the plat of which has been recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Lancaster County; or, an irregular tract as described by a deed recorded with the Register of Deeds for Lancaster County, provided that such tract is numbered and described by the county surveyor. (Ord. 19533; §1; May 9, 2011).

**17.02.190 Main.**

Main shall mean any public pipe which is owned, operated, and maintained by the Lincoln Water System. (P.C. §17.02.130: Ord. 13892 §10; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.200 Master Curb Stop.**

Master curb stop shall mean the valve device which connects the supply pipe to the service pipe and controls water to two or more premises. (P.C. §17.02.135: Ord. 13892 §11; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.210 Master Metered Water Service.**

Master metered water service shall mean a water service consisting of a single supply pipe and service pipe, together with a single meter and other required apparatus designed to serve a single lot on which more than one dwelling unit, building, or business is located. The master meter must record all water usage to the lot served. (Ord. 19533 §2; May 9, 2011: prior Ord. 16906 §1; December 11, 1995: P.C. §17.02.140: Ord. 13892 §12; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.220 Meter Apparatus.**

Meter apparatus shall mean the valves and fittings on both inlet and outlet sides of the water meter and the valve on one-and-one-half-inch and two-inch bypass lines, where required. (P.C. §17.02.145: Ord. 13892 §13; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.230 Mobile Home.**

(Repealed by Ord. 19533 §3; May 9, 2011: P.C. §17.02.146: Ord. 13892 §14; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.240 Mobile Home Court.**

(Repealed by Ord. 19533 §4; May 9, 2011: P.C. §17.02.147: Ord. 13892 §15; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.250 Multiple Dwelling Unit.**

Multiple dwelling unit shall mean a room or group of rooms forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking and eating and which has sewer connections and a water supply within its own premise which are shared with one or more other dwelling units. (Ord. 18261 §10; November 3, 2003: prior Ord. 16906 §2; December 11, 1995: P.C. §17.02.150: Ord. 13892 §16; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.255 Non-Residential.**

Non-residential shall mean any building or structure primarily utilized for purposes other than dwelling units. (Ord. 18261 §11; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.260 Office Park.**

(Repealed by Ord. 19533 §5; May 9, 2011: P.C. §17.02.155: Ord. 13892 §17; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.270 Person.**

Person shall mean any individual, firm, company, association, society, corporation, or group. (P.C. §17.02.160: Ord. 11657 §16; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.280 Premises.**

Premises shall mean a single building and such accessory buildings as are necessary to and used exclusively with such building. Premises shall include the lot or lots that a building or buildings occupy. (Ord. 19533 §6; May 9, 2011: P.C. §17.02.170: Ord. 11657 §17; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.290 Reduced Pressure Backflow Prevention Assembly (RP).**

Reduced pressure backflow prevention assembly shall mean the assembly is designed to protect against a health hazard or a non-health hazard and has been approved by the Lincoln Water System. (Ord. 18261 §12; November 3, 2003: P.C. §17.02.180: Ord. 13892 §18; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.295 Registered Grade 6 Operator.**

Registered Grade 6 Operator shall mean a person who has been certified by the State of Nebraska to perform testing and repair of backflow prevention assemblies pursuant to Title 179 Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 10-006 and who has registered themselves with the Lincoln Water System to repair or test backflow prevention assemblies. (Ord. 18261 §13; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.300 Remote Meter Reading Device.**

Remote meter reading device shall mean an electrical or mechanical metering device capable of accurately displaying or monitoring the amount of water passing through the water meter. (Ord. 18261 §14; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.185; Ord. 13892 §19; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.310 Service Pipe.**

Service pipe shall mean the pipe extending from the curb stop to and including the first valve device inside the building or meter structure. (Ord. 18261 §15; November 3, 2003; P.C. §17.02.190; Ord. 13892 §20; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.320 Shopping Center.**

(Repealed by Ord. 19533 §7; May 9, 2011; P.C. §17.02.195; Ord. 13892 §21; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.325 Single Dwelling Unit.**

Single dwelling unit shall mean a room or group of rooms forming a single habitable unit with facilities which are used or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking, and eating and which has sewer connections and a water supply within its own premise separate from and completely independent of any other dwelling. (Ord. 18261 §16; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.330 Stop Box or Curb Box.**

Stop box or curb box shall mean the housing device which is placed over the curb stop and extends to finished ground level, thereby providing access to the curb stop. (P.C. §17.02.200; Ord. 13892 §22; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.340 Supply Connection.**

Supply connection shall mean the supply connection to the public main and shall be made by means of a corporation stop or corporation cock, a tapping sleeve and valve, or a tee on the main with interconnecting pipe and a gate valve. (P.C. §17.02.205; Ord. 13892 §23; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.350 Supply Pipe.**

Supply pipe shall mean the pipe between the supply connection and the first valve thereafter. (P.C. §17.02.210; Ord. 13892 §24; July 1, 1984).

**17.02.355 Survey.**

Survey shall mean an inspection of the plumbing system of any premise to determine the requirements needed to protect the public water supply and provide protection for the inhabitants of the building using water. (Ord. 18261 §17; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.360 Tap.**

Tap shall mean the making of the opening into the main for the purpose of installing the supply connection, and the actual installation of the supply connection. (P.C. §17.02.220: Ord. 13892 §25; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.365 Thermal Expansion Device.**

Thermal expansion device shall mean a device installed to reduce the volumetric increase of water due to heating which results in increased pressure in a closed system. (Ord. 18261 §18; November 3, 2003).

**17.02.370 Townhouse.**

Townhouse shall mean one of a group or row of not more than twelve attached, single-family dwellings designed and built as a single structure facing upon a street in which the individual townhouse is located on a separately owned parcel of real estate, with a separate street address, and having an individual exterior entrance. (Ord. 16906 §3; December 11, 1995: P.C. §17.02.225: Ord. 13892 §26; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.380 Valve Box.**

Valve box shall mean the housing device which is placed over the valve on a tapping sleeve and valve, tee and gate valve supply connection, or other line valves and extends to finished ground level, thereby providing access to the valve. (Ord. 18261 §19; November 3, 2003: P.C. §17.02.226: Ord. 13892 §27; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.390 Water.**

Water shall mean the water supplied by the Lincoln Water System. (P.C. §17.02.230: Ord. 13892 §28; July 16, 1984).

**17.02.400 Water Service.**

Water service shall mean the actual supplying of water to premises by the Lincoln Water System. (P.C. §17.02.240: Ord. 11657 §24; April 12, 1976).

**17.02.410 Water Use Charge.**

Water use charge shall mean the rate or price to be charged for water, based upon the quantity of water delivered to any premises as measured by a water meter, or estimated where the meter has been taken out for repair or is not in working order, or for any other reason requiring an estimate to be made. This estimate shall be made on the basis of the average delivery for the corresponding seasonal periods. (P.C. §17.02.250: Ord. 13892 §29; July 16, 1984).