RESOLUTION NO. 23- 26

A RESOLUTION FOR THE VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON TO ESTABLISH A FEE FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE TESTER CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the organization is responsible for conducting regular backflow testing to ensure the safety and integrity of the water supply system; and

WHEREAS, the administrative tasks associated with managing the backflow testing process, such as scheduling, record-keeping, and documentation, require significant time and effort; and

WHEREAS, the organization incurs additional expenses for administrative staff, software systems, and other resources to effectively manage the backflow testing program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to ensure the financial sustainability of the backflow testing program to continue providing a reliable and safe water supply to the community;

Therefore, be it resolved that an administrative fee shall be implemented for all backflow testing services conducted by the organization, effective upon passage of this resolution. The fee structure shall be as follows:

- 1. A flat administrative fee of \$25.00 shall be charged for each backflow test conducted.
- 2. The administrative fee shall be payable by the property owner or responsible party at the time of scheduling the backflow test.
- 3. The fee shall be non-refundable, regardless of the test results or outcome.
- 4. The administrative fee shall be reviewed annually and subject to adjustment as deemed necessary by the organization's management.

The collected administrative fees shall be used to cover the costs associated with managing the backflow testing program, including but not limited to:

- 1. Administrative staff salaries and training.
- 2. Software systems and tools for scheduling, record-keeping, and reporting.
- 3. Maintenance and upgrades of equipment used in the testing process.
- 4. Outreach and education initiatives to promote awareness and compliance with backflow prevention measures.

This resolution shall remain in effect until modified or revoked by subsequent resolution of the organization's governing body.

Passed: 9-18-23

Council Clerk

Approved:

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