

# **FIRE HYDRANT METERS AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES**

## **CITY OWNED METERS AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES**

### **Meter Deposit**

Customers renting fire hydrant meters from the city are required to place a deposit of \$850.00 per meter.

### **Backflow Deposit**

Customers renting backflow prevention assembly from the city are required to place a deposit of \$500.00 per backflow prevention assembly.

### **Monthly Rental Fee**

In addition, customers will pay a \$50.00 monthly rental fee per meter/backflow prevention assembly for city owned meters and backflow prevention assemblies and will be billed for usage at the established irrigation rate.

### **Customer Responsibility**

Customers are responsible for broken, damaged, lost or stolen city owned meters, city owned backflow prevention assemblies. Cost of parts or replacement of meter, backflow prevention assemblies will be deducted from applicable deposits. In the event that the repair or replacement cost is greater than the deposit amount, customers are responsible for the outstanding amount.

## **CUSTOMER-OWNED METERS AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLIES**

### **Water Deposit**

Customers may use their own meter after placing an \$850.00 deposit with the city. Customers will be billed monthly for water usage at the established irrigation rate.

### **Backflow Report**

Customers may use their own backflow prevention assembly after a test report is given to water quality staff stating that assembly passed required testing by a licensed backflow prevention assembly tester.

## **IDENTIFICATION TAG**

### **City Owned**

After deposits have been paid, the city service center will issue a tag with information about the meter and backflow prevention assembly. The tag will be attached securely to the meter and remain on the meter until the meter and backflow prevention assembly are turned in to the city service center and closed out.

### **Customer Owned**

Prior to installation, customers must bring their meters and backflow prevention assemblies to the city service center to be inspected and tagged. The tag will be attached securely to the issued meter and remain until the final meter reading is acquired. The tag will then be removed.

### **Failure to have tag on device**

Failure to have tag securely attached on meters or numbers not matching as tagged will result in the following:

- (1) The city will pull meter, backflow prevention assembly and support stand.
- (2) A \$250.00 fee for no tag/or tampering with city issued tag or equipment.
- (3) A \$250.00 fee for reconnection of a pulled meter, backflow prevention assembly.

## **READING METERS**

### **Procedures**

Meters will be read in the field by water quality staff on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. An inspection of the meters and backflow prevention assemblies will be performed at that time. It is the contractor's responsibility to bring the meter and backflow assembly to the service center, if the meter is not available to water quality staff at the designated area of use on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

### **Failure to Supply Meter**

Meters and backflow prevention assemblies not made available for water quality staff to read and inspect either within designated area of use or brought in to the service center for reading and inspection by the end of that week on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month will result in the following:

- (1) The city will pull meter, backflow prevention assembly.
- (2) The customer will be billed for a minimum of 100,000 gallons usage at the established irrigation rate.
- (3) A \$250.00 fee for reconnection of a pulled meter and backflow device.