ORDINANCE NO. 04-2024 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AMENDING, SUPPLEMENTING, AND REVISING CHAPTER 354 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON CODE, ENTITLED "WATER SERVICE" AND CHAPTER 162 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON CODE, ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION"

**WHEREAS**, the City of Burlington (the "City") is a Faulkner Act municipality with a Mayor-Council form of government pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:69A-31, *et seq.*, with its organization, positions, powers and duties outlined within the Code of the City of Burlington as set forth pursuant to the Faulkner Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 354 of the City Code sets forth rules and regulations concerning water service within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to revise Chapters 354 and 162 of the City Code to include appropriate violations for failure to comply with the provisions set forth therein; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Common Council is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the City by law.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Common Council for the City of Burlington, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Code of the City of Burlington is hereby amended, revised and/or supplemented as follows:

**SECTION 1**: Chapter 354, Section 6, "Rules and regulations" is hereby amended, supplemented, and revised as follows:

## § 354-6 Rules and regulations.

- A. [No Changes]
- B. [No Changes]
- C. [No Changes]
- D. [No Changes]
- E. [No Changes]
- F. [No Changes]
- G. Fire services.
  - 1. [No Changes]

2. All fire services shall be equipped with a meter. For existing construction without a meter, meters shall be installed within six (6) months of the effective date of this revised Section, or by the date of the next fire service inspection, whichever occurs first. For all fire service meters installed on existing construction within six (6) months of the effective date of this revised Section, the City will supply the meter. The property owner shall be responsible for installation, testing, maintenance, replacement, and all other costs and/or obligations. If the property owner fails to install the meter within six (6) months of the effective date of this revised Section, the property owner shall also be responsible for the cost of the meter. Failure to install a meter on a fire service shall be a violation of the Fire Prevention Ordinance, Chapter 162 of the City of Burlington Code.

**SECTION 2:** Chapter 162, Article II, Section 24, "(Reserved)" is hereby amended, supplemented, and revised as follows:

## § 162-24 **Technical Amendment – Fire Service Water Meters.**

Subchapter 3, Chapter 5, of the 2015 New Jersey Uniform Fire Code shall be supplemented to add as follows:

A. Fire service water meters shall be installed in collaboration with Local Ordinance Chapter 354, Section 6, Subsection G, Number 2, whereas the failure to follow the aforementioned Section shall result in the issuance of violations and penalties being issued by the Fire Official.

**SECTION 3**: Except as set forth in Sections 1 and 2, the balance of the Code of the City of Burlington shall not be affected by this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4**: All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent herewith.

**SECTION 5**: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph or subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 6**: This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage by Council and signature by the Mayor.

## ORDINANCE NO. 04-2024

Passed Common Council,		
	George Chachis, President Common Council	
Approved,		
	Barry W. Conaway, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
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