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## **2<sup>nd</sup> Water Meter Policy**

### **Irrigation Meters**

(Adopted 09/22/20)

The Board of Water Commissioners has established the following policy with respect to the installation of a secondary, non-essential, water meter (irrigation meter) in all residential, institutional, commercial and industrial buildings in an effort to promote water conservation. It is the Policy of the Water Commissioners to meter all exterior water uses such as for filling swimming pools, watering gardens, washing cars, lawn irrigation, ornamental pools and barns that house animals.

Any homeowner and/or business that substantially alters and/or renovates the building unit, will be required to install a secondary, non-essential water meter as determined by the Water Superintendent.

All In-Law dwelling units will be required to install a secondary, non-essential water meter as determined by the Water Superintendent.

All in-ground swimming pools will be required to install a secondary, non-essential water meter.

All new in-ground irrigation systems will be required to install a secondary, non-essential water meter

A secondary, non-essential water meter will be required prior to occupancy in all buildings.

The property owner will be required to connect all exterior water uses to the non-essential irrigation water meter by a licensed plumber and a plumbing permit may be required.

Deduct water meters are prohibited under this policy.

The Board of Water Commissioners reserves the right to change or modify this policy as they deem it to be in the best interest of the Water Rate Payers.