

ORDINANCE NO. 1612

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 13 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CREST HILL REGARDING WATER RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois ("City"), in order to protect the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of the City, has determined that it is necessary to enact restrictions on the use of water during warmer months to ensure availability of water for consumption and adequate pressure for fire protection.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: The preamble of this Ordinance is declared to be true and correct and is incorporated by reference herein.

SECTION 2: "Chapter 7.26: Water Emergency" of Title 7 of the Crest Hill Code of Ordinances shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 3: The Crest Hill Code of Ordinances shall be amended by adding Chapter 13.06 to Title 13 as follows:

CHAPTER 13.06: LIMITATIONS ON USE OF SPRINKLING DEVICES.

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§ 13.06.010 PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Chapter of the Code of Ordinances is to protect the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of the City; to provide restrictions on the use of water during warmer months to ensure availability of water for consumption and adequate pressure for fire protection.

§ 13.06.020 DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

SPRINKLING DEVICES. Includes, but is not limited to, such devices as hoses, portable sprinklers and permanently installed sprinkler systems that are used for sprinkling or watering. **SPRINKLING DEVICES** shall not include those sprinkling devices used in commercial car wash businesses or sprinkling devices used for purposes of fire protection.

SPRINKLING or WATERING. Means the use of a sprinkling device for such purposes as watering lawns or other plants and vegetation or washing cars, windows or sidewalks.

WATER EMERGENCY. The Mayor may, at his discretion, declare the City to be in a state of limited water emergency whenever it reasonably appears that the City's water supply is being used at a rate that is likely to overtax the water supply or the water supply is in danger of depletion to the point where the City can no longer supply water for the needs of its citizens, businesses and lawful corporate purposes.

§ 13.06.030 LIMITATIONS ON USE OF SPRINKLING DEVICES.

(A) Sprinkling or watering shall be restricted annually from May 10 through September 10 as follows:

- (1) watering or sprinkling shall be permitted by residents whose street address ends in an odd number on odd numbered days only;
- (2) watering or sprinkling shall be permitted by residents whose street address ends in an even number on even numbered days only.

(B) This restriction shall be in effect until modified by action of the corporate authorities.

(C) Should a water emergency be declared, as defined herein, this section shall be inapplicable for the duration of the declared emergency. During said emergency, sprinkling or watering shall be prohibited.

§ 13.06.040 VIOLATION; PENALTY.

Any person, firm or corporation that violates any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$750 for each offense.

SECTION 4: Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: Repealer. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.


SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED THIS 5th DAY OF November, 2012.


AYES: Gazal, Dyke, Vershay, Kelis, Oberlin, Sternisha, Convery and
Thman

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None


CHRISTINE VERSHAY-HALL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED THIS 5th DAY OF November, 2012.


RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


CHRISTINE VERSHAY-HALL, CITY CLERK