



NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.
16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, Texas 78641

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the Village of Volente will hold its Regularly Called Meeting at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, the 19th day of May, 2015 in Council Chambers at 16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, Texas to consider and act upon any lawful subject, which may come before it, including the following:

A. Items Opening the Meeting

1. Call to Order.
2. Call Roll.
3. Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2015.

B. Citizen Communications. *At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council is prohibited from acting on or discussing (other than factual responses to specific questions) any items brought before them that are not on the agenda. There is a four (4) minute time limit on any communication.*

C. General Business and Action Items.

1. Mayor's Report.
2. Village Reports.
 - a. Financial Reports.
 - b. Construction Update.
 - c. City Administrator Report.
 - d. City Secretary Report.
 - e. Crime & Complaints Report.
 - f. Committee Reports.
3. Resolution 2015-R-2 Bank Signatory Authorization allowing for an authorized signer in the absence of the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem.
4. Recommendation from the Public Safety Committee regarding law enforcement scheduling for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Council Member Babs Yarbrough)
5. Recommendations from the Public Safety Committee regarding the Emergency Management Plan for the Village of Volente. (Council Member Babs Yarbrough)
6. Recommendations from the Public Safety Committee in regards to the Village of Volente becoming a Fire Wise Community. (Council Member Babs Yarbrough)
7. Updates from the Board of Adjustments on their response to an opinion about Water Tanks within the Village of Volente. (Chair Mike Gold)

8. Updates from the Planning and Zoning Commission on their response to an opinion about Water Tanks within the Village of Volente. (Chair Jeff Browning)
9. Updates from the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the possible re-routing of variances. (Chair Jeff Browning)
10. The International Fire Code 2009. (Council Members Springer, Connors, and Yarbrough)
11. Clarification on the definition of a Minor Addition to an Existing Residence or Structure. (Discussion Only)
12. Sixty Day Extension of the Contract for Barbara Wilson, City Administrator, to allow time for the scheduling of a meeting when all Council Members, Mayor Pro Tem, and Mayor can be present.
13. Travis County Department of Health Interlocal Agreement for Environmental Investigation Services. (Mayor Ken Beck)
14. Close Public Meeting, Open Executive Session. *The Village Council will announce that it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551.072 of the Texas Government Code "Deliberations about Real Property" for discussion and consultation on matters of a road vacate project.*
15. Close Executive Session and Re-Open Public Meeting.
16. Discussion and Possible Action resulting from Executive Session, if any.
17. Adjourn.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the above Agenda was posted at the Village Offices and the VVFD Bulletin Board on this 13th day of May, 2015.

Julia Vicars, City Secretary

The Village of Volente is committed to the compliance with the American with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications are provided upon request. The Village Council reserves the right to enter executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development). A quorum of the Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Adjustments may be in attendance however, no official action by the Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Adjustments shall be taken.



MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.
16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, Texas 78641

Present

- Council Member David Springer
- Council Member Babs Yarbrough
- Council Member Bill Connors
- Council Member Kristi Belote
- Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott
- Mayor Ken Beck

Also in Attendance

Tom Buckle, City Attorney

Absent

A. Items Opening the Meeting

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Ken Beck called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. Call Roll.

City Secretary Julia Vicars called roll. A quorum was established.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from February 24, March 17, and March 31, 2015.

Council Member Kristi Belote makes a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Council Member Bill Connors. Carries unanimously.

Council Member Kristi Belote makes a motion to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2015 meeting with the addition of "Council agreed to continue working with the owners instead of creating an ordinance at this point" on line 112 and the correction of "sign up" instead of sigh up on line 134. Seconded by Council Member Bill Connors. Carries unanimously.

Council Member Kristi Belote makes a motion to approve the March 31, 2015 minutes with the correction of "they" to "the" on line 43. Seconded by Council Member Bill Connors. The motion carries with Council Members Babs Yarbrough, David Springer, and Kristi Belote voting aye. Council Member David Springer and Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott abstain.

B. Citizen Communications.

40 Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd., spoke about the roadway clearing and mowing project. She thanks the
41 Public Works committee and the mowing crew for saving the wildflowers in the area.
42 Rett Scudder, 15809 Booth Circle, spoke as informal representative for the Party Boat Businesses in the
43 area. Suggests to Council that a Community Party Boat date take place, in which all residents could
44 come and interact with neighbors and party boat operators. This suggestion stems from a new boat
45 being built at a local marina and the removal of a party boat owner who caused some issues in the
46 past.
47 Joyce Beck, 15911 Booth Circle, thanks the Council for the Olive Fest and the sponsorship by the City.
48 Thanks Council Member Kristi Belote and City Secretary Julia Vicars for their hard work on the Olive
49 Fest.
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51 **C. General Business and Action Items.**

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53 **1. Mayor's Report.**

54 Mayor Ken Beck thanks everyone for their participation and involvement in the Olive Fest
55 including Staff, Council, and Residents. The Council continues to strive to accomplish the 2015
56 Prioritized Goals set at Council's Retreat in January. Coffee with the Mayor takes place once a
57 month, and received a good turnout. The Mayor continues to be in contact with the owners of
58 abandoned buildings to help the owners come into or close to compliance. Two are actively
59 pursuing repairs to their buildings. The Mayor and Staff continue to work on areas of the Village
60 where roads were built to convenience and not to plat. The Mayor is following Texas
61 Legislature and will go down to speak on a House Bill pertaining to Public Notices to articulate
62 the issues our residents and committees face both financially and with time constraints. To
63 increase communications and transparency, the Mayor continues working with other elected
64 officials and major entities. The Nuisance Ordinance is in effect, and should be included in the
65 Ordinance review process to ensure it is implementing what was intended. In order to control
66 budget spending and keep costs down, the Mayor introduces an Administrative Order that
67 requires prior approval of any spending in office.

68 *The Mayor then asks that the Audience, Council, and Staff take a moment of silence to honor*
69 *Coz, a resident of Volente who passed away early yesterday evening.*
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71 **2. Village Reports.**

72 **a. Financial Reports.**

73 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott summarizes the financial reports for the month of
74 March. The sales tax revenue is lower than expected, but with season starting it
75 should increase. Grant revenue of \$14,600 from Capital Metro came in. Although
76 the report for Public Works appears to show that we are over budget in one month,
77 in actuality we are well under for the fiscal year. Contract Labor may soon see an
78 increase in spending with scheduled police. Mayor Pro Tem mentions that the next
79 meeting of the Budget, Finance, and Administration Committee will look at potential
80 line item transfers.

81 Mayor Ken Beck asks the Council to consider their thoughts or request for the
82 creation of the budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 and let Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott
83 know.

- 84 b. Construction Update.
85 City Administrator Barbara Wilson details the Construction Report.
- 86 c. City Administrator Report.
87 Barbara Wilson, City Administrator, summarizes the report. Volunteers are needed
88 for help with cleaning out the well house in order to begin using it as a storage
89 facility. Thanks Tom Hand with Handcraft Renovations for the donated work and
90 materials for the well house. States that eighty-two houses in Volente are identified
91 as being in the incorporated Village but not on our tax roll which could increase our
92 tax revenue by as much as \$6,000.00.
93 Council Member Kristi Belote asks about our interactions with Pedernales Electric
94 Company in regards to clearing lines.
95 Barbara Wilson answers that they will err on the side of caution and not aesthetics
96 and may cut trees back ten foot from the line.
- 97 d. City Secretary Report.
98 Julia Vicars, City Secretary gives her report.
- 99 e. Crime & Complaints Report.
100 City Secretary Julia Vicars details the Crime & Complaints report. She urges residents
101 to be cautious and lock all vehicles and houses.
102 Judy Barrick, Booth Circle, asks about certain terms on the Crime & Complains form.
103 Julia Vicars answers with what each term typically means.
104 Nancy Carufel, Joy Rd, asks that the names of complainants be shown on the
105 Complaints form.
106 Julia Vicars answers that this is a violation of the complainants privacy, and every
107 complainant has the right to keep their complaint confidential.
108 Barbara Wilson reads for the record a complaint from Kit Hopkins on a neighboring
109 septic tank that is causing issues.
- 110 f. Committee Reports.
111 Council Member David Springer summarizes the Environmental Committee's last
112 meeting and their concerns over the BCRUA project and trucks that will be traveling
113 our roads.

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115 ***The Staff and Mayor present the following agenda items (3-4) to be considered as consent items by the City Council to be***
116 ***enacted by one motion. If a citizen or City Council Member requests discussion on an item, it will not be approved on***
117 ***consent and will be moved to the end of the agenda to be considered at that time. City Council Members may add***
118 ***additional items to be considered for the consent agenda.***

- 119 3. Re-confirmation of the Environmental Committee. *(consent)*
120 4. Ordinance 2015-O-05, Village of Volente Personnel Manual. *(consent)*
121 **Council Member Babs Yarbrough makes a motion to approve the both Agenda items number**
122 **three and four. Seconded by Council Member David Springer. Carries unanimously.**
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124 5. Trash Day for 2015. (Mayor Ken Beck)
125 Mayor Ken Beck introduces the Trash Day for 2015, to be held on May 9th, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.
126 The Mayor encourages residents to place items out early.

127 Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy, states that you do not have to be a paying customer with Texas
128 Disposal to participate in this event since it is paid for by tax dollars.

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130 6. Capital Metro (Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott)

131 a. Summary of Progress

132 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott briefs Council on our involvement in the CapMetro program
133 over the last eleven years and the new liability balance sheet supplied by CapMetro. In
134 order for the Village of Volente to withdraw from this program we would need to pay
135 \$55,000.00. This number is not accepted on face value but instead requires some research.
136 The Budget, Finance, and Administration committee will discuss this topic at their next
137 meeting.

138 Council Member Bill Connors suggests that Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott request the work
139 papers used by CapMetro to see the exact way they calculated their current assets.
140 Joyce Beck, 15911 Booth Circle, asks why the Village of Volente became involved in this
141 program in the first place.

142 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott says that we joined in 2004 and the first couple of years we
143 were receiving more money than we were contributing. When program changes and shifts
144 were made at Cap Metro, that number has dropped considerably.

145 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott states that he will continue to look into this matter and will
146 proceed with the necessary steps to place this topic on the ballot for November.

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148 7. Water Tanks (Council Members David Springer and Kristi Belote)

149 a. Setbacks

150 Council Member Kristi Belote reads the results from the survey posed to the public
151 via Nextdoor and the Newsletter. The results from the survey state that yes, water
152 tanks should be considered portable structures and that yes, they should be allowed
153 in the setbacks.

154 Council Member David Springer mentions that Council may want to consider setting
155 rules as to the size and color of tanks.

156 Mayor Ken Beck states that after meeting with Gary Frame, who has in-depth
157 knowledge water tanks, it is recommended that residents choose a dark color to
158 keep from algae buildup. The standard size described by Mr. Frame is 8 foot by 8
159 foot.

160 Council Member Bill Connors feels it is an overreach for Village Council to be
161 regulating this type of item. He feels these are requirements imposed on
162 newcomers purely for aesthetics. Council Member Connors states we express a
163 desire to call water tanks portable, but then require screening which limits
164 portability. Small lots need to be considered, with the realization that tanks should
165 be wherever they can fit one.

166 b. Screening

167 Council Member Kristi Belote states that after discussion, the Administrative team
168 should come up with a draft Ordinance to address the issues at hand.

169 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott agrees that water tanks should be allowed in the
170 setbacks with a water tank "slab". Caveats for PUEs, size, and color should be
171 considered.

172 Mayor Ken Beck adds that rainwater harvesting should be recognized with a credit
173 to impervious cover for those that choose to do rainwater harvesting.
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175 8. Conceptual future Zoning Districts. (Council Memembers Connors, Belote, and Springer)

176 a. Infill Redevelopment District.

177 Council Member Bill Connors summarizes the proposed zoning categories discussed
178 at the last Planning and Zoning Commission meeting after the Council Work Session.
179 Council Member Connors utilizes the conceptual zoning map and lot size map to
180 describe the categories and their placement within the Village.

181 Council Member Kristi Belote summarizes the Zoning Chart she put together and
182 edited after input from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

183 Council Member Kristi Belote asks of Tom Buckle, City Attorney if the use of Infill
184 Redevelopment would help in addressing the issues small lots face.

185 City Attorney Tom Buckle states that there are many ways to address the smaller lot
186 sizes in Volente, with Infill being one of them. He cites Jonestown, which has a
187 similar issue to Volente with lot sizes, and their zoning districts that allow for
188 differences within each category according to lot size.

189 Council Member Bill Connors poses the scenario to the City Attorney of a small lot in
190 a modern neighborhood. If Council puts parameters on what type of house you can
191 build by lot, and this property owner is only allowed a tiny house, how does the City
192 respond to not allowing a property owner to build to match the neighborhood?

193 Tom Buckle, City Attorney responds that Zoning, especially in an area like ours with
194 unique challenges, should be tailored by neighborhood so that parameters are
195 fitting with the look and feel of existing uses within each area.

196 Council Member David Springer asks the City Attorney about issues that may arise
197 when Public Notices are sent out notifying the residents of a Zoning change.

198 Tom Buckle, City Attorney responds that a comprehensive rewrite of the Zoning
199 Ordinance would definitely require public notices but that a public notice and
200 protest does not bar the Council from making a Zoning change, but instead allows
201 the public to voice their opinion on that matter.

202 Council Member Babs Yarbrough states she is disappointed to see changes to the
203 categories after hours of work and conversation at the last work session, during
204 which present Council Members had agreement and understanding for what was to
205 be proposed. Council Member Yarbrough states that it may not be fair or wise to
206 create parameters on small lots that may affect property values for the owners and
207 for neighbors. Council Member Babs Yarbrough states that despite having a couple
208 of tweaks she would like to see made, she supports this moving forward to help
209 simplify the process for residents to build and develop their properties.

210 Mayor Ken Beck states that he supports the four categories and if Council
211 progressively established setbacks, impervious cover, and minimum size of house
212 based on these four categories, then we would be going a long way to solving the

213 issues we currently have in our zoning ordinance. Details should be deferred to the
214 review of the ordinance line by line. More details will be decided upon in the next
215 Council Work Session.

216 Council Member Babs Yarbrough suggests that the Village make their regulations
217 and rules less stringent, and allow the deed restrictions imposed by homeowners
218 associations stand as the restrictions for each neighborhood.

219 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott states that water quality and drainage should be
220 considered when discussions come up about changing impervious cover.

221 Council Member Connors states that you can set impervious cover at a certain
222 percentage but require mitigation. There are plenty of ways to control runoff and
223 prevent water quality issues while still providing relief to residents in regards to
224 impervious cover.

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226 9. Construction Survey (Council Member Kristi Belote)

227 a. Summary of Survey

228 b. Results

229 Council Member Kristi Belote states that half of the participants of the survey only
230 filled out the General Information portion of the survey. Currently she is looking into
231 how best to capture more participants.

232 **Council Member Kristi Belote makes a motion to postpone discussion of the**
233 **Construction Survey to the May Council Meeting. Seconded by Council Member**
234 **Babs Yarbrough. Carries unanimously.**

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236 10. Property Tax Exemption for Residents aged 65 and older. (Mayor Ken Beck)

237 Mayor Ken Beck introduces this item stating that the Community Survey shows that the
238 majority of our residents are retirees age 65 and older. This would apply only to homestead
239 exempted houses. In 2007, Council passed an Ordinance giving a 30k (of the appraised value)
240 exemption to senior residents. Travis Central Appraisal District shows the amount to be 45k (of
241 the appraised value) exemption. And though the ordinance was only for the 2007-2008 fiscal
242 year, the exemption, in the wrong amount, continues to apply. The Mayor presents two
243 options; 1) Allowing the 45k exemption to remain in place or 2) Fight with Travis County to
244 reclaim the years in which TCAD still kept the exemption. As for the future, the Mayor suggests
245 either doing an exemption for dollars off appraised value (like what is currently in place) or
246 instead freezing taxes.

247 Mayor Pro Tem Mark Scott details his breakdown of the economic impact this tax exemption
248 would have on the Village, excluding a freeze on taxes which requires more research.

249 Discussion amongst Council about the amount of assistance this provides for our senior citizens.

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251 Nancy Carufel, Joy Rd, says that school taxes are frozen for age 65 and older. Believes the
252 Village should freeze the taxes for seniors. States that Council in the past looked at every year
253 increasing the exemption amount.

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255 The Mayor says he will look into our ability to freeze taxes as a municipality and to educate the
256 senior population in our community to assist in them acquiring the freeze on Leander ISD taxes.

257 Council Member Bill Connors would like to see an accurate demographic of the residents in our
258 Village to get a better picture of the impact this would have on Volente.

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260 **11. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Local Contribution. (Mayor Ken**
261 **Beck)**

262 Mayor Ken Beck summarizes the CAMPO Local Contribution that local municipalities have the
263 option of paying in return for assistance in receiving grants that could help with road
264 improvements, traffic flow issues, air quality issues, etc. Council agrees to pay the CAMPO Local
265 Contribution.

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267 **12. Scheduling a Possible Work Session.**

268 Council decides the next work session will be scheduled for May 5th, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to
269 discuss conceptual changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

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271 **13. Adjourn.**

272 The meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

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274 **Passed and Approved this _____ day of _____, 20____.**

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276 **Signed:**

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279 **Ken Beck, Mayor**

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281 **Attest:**

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284 **Julia Vicars, City Secretary**
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Agenda Item C2a

Village of Volente
Balance Sheet
As of April 30, 2015

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05/14/2015
Accrual Basis

	Apr 30, 15	% Change	Apr 30, 14
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
10100 - Cap One Checking- 5181	29,785.33	10.73%	34,204.38
10200 - Cap One Tower Fund - 1411	488,119.32	0.0%	487,895.39
10300 - Cap One Savings - 6099	205,363.81	0.0%	194,580.30
10400 - Parkland Fund - Restricted	61,250.00	0.0%	61,250.00
10500 - Temporarily Restricted Cash	-61,250.00	0.0%	-61,250.00
Total Checking/Savings	723,268.46	0.4%	716,680.07
Accounts Receivable			
12000 - Accounts Receivable	25,190.07	1.29%	2,809.45
Total Accounts Receivable	25,190.07	1.29%	2,809.45
Other Current Assets			
12110 - Undeposited Funds	304.38	97.16%	20.00
12300 - Prepaid Deposits	2,111.00	0.0%	2,111.00
Total Other Current Assets	2,415.38	6.62%	2,131.00
Total Current Assets	750,873.91	0.45%	721,620.52
Fixed Assets			
14100 - Leasehold Improvements	7,777.25	0.0%	10,072.25
14150 - Accum Depreciation - Leasehold	-3,888.63	0.0%	0.00
14200 - Furniture & Equipment	17,412.03	0.0%	16,176.03
14250 - Accum Depr Furniture & Equip	-1,963.10	0.0%	0.00
Total Fixed Assets	19,337.55	0.0%	26,248.28
TOTAL ASSETS	770,211.46	0.44%	747,868.80
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
20000 - Accounts Payable	12,714.47	3.61%	14,303.76
Total Accounts Payable	12,714.47	3.61%	14,303.76
Other Current Liabilities			
20100 - Other Payables	5,700.00	0.0%	0.00
24000 - Payroll Liabilities	2,047.12	179.24%	2,164.47
Total Other Current Liabilities	7,747.12	148.58%	2,164.47
Total Current Liabilities	20,461.59	32.98%	16,468.23
Total Liabilities	20,461.59	32.98%	16,468.23
Equity			
39000 - Net Assets - Retained Earnings	594,381.77	0.0%	636,875.26
39010 - Opening Bal Equity	-74,735.10	0.0%	-74,735.10
39020 - Fund Balance Designated	80,118.02	0.0%	80,118.02
39100 - Net Assets - Temp Restricted	61,250.00	0.0%	61,250.00
Net Income	88,735.18	-1.9%	27,892.39
Total Equity	749,749.87	-0.23%	731,400.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	770,211.46	0.44%	747,868.80

Village of Volente
Income and Expense Actual vs. Budget
 October 2014 through April 2015

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 05/14/2015
 Accrual Basis

	TOTAL							
	Apr 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget	Oct 14 - Apr 15	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense								
Income								
40000 · Property Tax Revenue	1,393.03	2,622.00	-1,228.97	53.13%	212,642.08	205,820.00	6,822.08	103.32%
41000 · Sales Tax Revenue	1,768.98	1,976.00	-207.02	89.52%	21,708.10	30,199.00	-8,490.90	71.88%
42000 · Utility Franchise Fees	3,150.78	0.00	3,150.78	100.0%	19,954.76	18,227.00	1,727.76	109.48%
43000 · Development Fees/Permits	1,237.50	83.00	1,154.50	1,490.98%	1,867.50	583.00	1,284.50	320.33%
44000 · Grant Revenue	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	100.0%	44,699.00	14,500.00	30,199.00	308.2%
47000 · Investment Earning	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.0%	187.07	875.00	-687.93	21.39%
48100 · Miscellaneous Income	142.60				142.60			
Total Income	37,692.89	4,806.00	32,886.89	784.29%	301,191.11	270,204.00	30,987.11	111.47%
Gross Profit								
	37,692.89	4,806.00	32,886.89	784.29%	301,191.11	270,204.00	30,987.11	111.47%
Expense								
50000 · Operations	1,107.05	2,139.16	-1,032.11	51.75%	16,996.86	22,191.31	-5,194.45	76.59%
52000 · Municipal Court	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	150.00	600.00	-450.00	25.0%
53000 · Facilities and Equipment	4,673.05	3,200.00	1,473.05	146.03%	20,522.06	21,900.00	-1,377.94	93.71%
55000 · Community Events	159.40	179.17	-19.77	88.97%	2,214.69	3,394.17	-1,179.48	65.25%
57000 · Public Works	17,430.55	291.67	17,138.88	5,976.12%	65,195.55	37,221.67	27,973.88	175.16%
64000 · Outside Services	3,512.10	3,357.51	154.59	104.6%	40,495.81	23,502.51	16,993.30	172.3%
64100 · Development Costs	150.97	833.33	-682.36	18.12%	-1,576.40	5,833.33	-7,409.73	-27.02%
65000 · Contract Labor	0.00	1,266.67	-1,266.67	0.0%	0.00	8,866.67	-8,866.67	0.0%
66000 · Compensation and Benefits	10,837.97	10,003.34	834.63	108.34%	68,451.86	70,023.34	-1,571.48	97.76%
Total Expense	37,871.09	21,270.85	16,600.24	178.04%	212,450.43	193,533.00	18,917.43	109.78%
Net Ordinary Income	-178.20	-16,464.85	16,286.65	1.08%	88,740.68	76,671.00	12,069.68	115.74%
Other Income/Expense								
Other Expense	0.00				5.50			
80000 · Other Expense	0.00				5.50			
Total Other Expense	0.00				5.50			
Net Other Income	0.00				-5.50			
Net Income	-178.20	-16,464.85	16,286.65	1.08%	88,735.18	76,671.00	12,064.18	115.74%

Village of Volente
Statement of Cash Flows
 October 2014 through April 2015

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 05/14/2015

	<u>FYTD</u>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Net Income	88,735.18
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to net cash provided by operations:	
12000 · Accounts Receivable	-23,534.84
20000 · Accounts Payable	494.80
24010 · Federal Withholding Tax	-1,296.00
24015 · Social Security - EE	-450.18
24020 · Medicare Tax - EE	-650.31
24025 · TMRS Employee Paid	-2.16
24045 · Empl Health Ins ER Paid	7.00
24515 · Social Security ER Paid	-450.86
24525 · Medicare Tax - ER Paid	299.55
24550 · TMRS ER Paid	335.55
Net cash provided by Operating Activities	<u>63,487.73</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
14200 · Furniture & Equipment	-1,236.00
Net cash provided by Investing Activities	<u>-1,236.00</u>
 Net cash increase for period	 62,251.73
 Cash at beginning of period	 <u>661,321.11</u>
Cash at end of period	<u><u>723,572.84</u></u>

Agenda Item C2b

Address	Owner' Name	Type of Project	Stage/Status	Date Discuss Started	Builder	Red Tagged	Variance
8136 Lime Creek Rd	Marzan	Single Family Home	Built awaiting Final and CO Granted an Extension	Sept. 2013	Themselves		
8120 Joy Rd	Hoag	Single Family Home	Building in Progress	Oct. 2013	Hausman		Side Set Back Drive way over 15 degrees Impervious Coverage granted
16301 Jackson	Staalenburg	Pool	Finished awaiting restoration and pool final	Nov. 2013	Austin Custom Pools		
8420 Lime Creek	Dooley's	Single Family Home with Pool	Building in Progress	Mar-14	Silverton Custom Homes		Side Set Back Building on Slopes greater than 25 degrees building in the Floodplain granted
16107 Wharf Cove	Beaches LTD	Moving Building into Side Set Back	Pending Variance Request awaiting Mayor Approval	May-14	Themselves		Building in the Set Back due to Mandatory Changes in Septic System from LCRA
8336 Lime Creek	Anderson	Driveway	Awaiting Owner's Submission	May-14			Possible due to Impervious Coverage
15757 Booth Circle	Ratcliff	90 percent Remodel and increase in footprint	Awaiting Owner's Submission on P&Z Variances and Site Plan	Feb. 2014	Not Selected Yet		BOA Variance 2 hearings for Side Set Back granted

16508 Jackson	Piercey	Pool	Building in Progress	April 22015	Chaparral	
Address	Owner' Name	Type of Project	Stage/Status	Date Discuss Started	Builder	Red Tagged
15904 Amos now 15916 Booth	Smith	Single Family Resident	Building in Progress	Mar-14	Leon Urbanski	
8201 West	Koill	Pool	Awaiting Spring Time and then want to submit plans	Mar-14		Came in to build Carport and Porch in Set Back Did not get Variance Now thinking of building Pool
16500 Jackson	Kerr	Selected a builder submitted building Plans waiting on application	Reviewing Building Plans	Mar-14		Went to Variance Hearing and was granted extra impervious coverage and they mitigated for it
16601 Jackson	Anger	Built Accessory Building in the Set Back and in the Floodplain for horses and Water Quality violation	Negotiating Settlement with Staff and Mayor	Apr-14		Would need several variances
16319 Jackson	Blauvelt	Single Family Resident added Water Tank Storage Then Added Pool	Waiting for Landscaping and Screening of Water Tanks	Jun-14	David Weekley	Administrative with in 1 percent of side set back

Address	Owner Name	Single Family Resident	Awaiting Site Development and Building Plans	Date Discuss Started	Pending Decision	Red Tagged	Variance
16303 Jackson	Roman	Type of Project	Stage/Status	Apr-15	Builder		
8108 Bernard	Keating	Installation of two Septic Systems without permit built in the roadway platted ROW Installation and Renting out of two mobile homes	Mobile Homes have been removed, Septic Systems have been removed from Ground Awaiting LCRA confirmation that Septic Tanks and Pollution Properly dealt with	May-14	Themselves	Yes	Built septic system in the roadway easement with no permits from LCRA and no inspections by LCRA
8132 Joy Rd	Robinson	Total Remodel Increase in Footprint	Submitted corrected plans and information for several variance requests From BOA	Aug-14	Steve Todd?		There will be several P and Z and BOA Variance Requests Now in process of setting up BOA
8111 Beauregard	Hamblin	Remodel of Garage to Add and Apartment	Waiting for Information to approve building plans Foundation Approved but he wants to put project on hold	Aug-14	GC Builders		Owner now wants to wait on project
7216 Debbie	Mokry	Addition of Water Storage Tanks in the Set Back and on common property	Awaiting applicants approval of neighbors	Sept. 2014	Mokry	Yes	When property issue cleared up then set back variance

8201 Lime Creek	Arifi	Single Family Home	Building in Progress	Sept. 2014	Malviniz	Yes	Underground Utilities Variance not granted now they want to go underground from first pole
8216 Lime Creek	Johnson	Single Family Home	Developing Plans Met with Tree Clearance Vendor	Nov. 2014			
Lakeview/Puryear/Davidson/ Lime Creek	Gold and Beaches LTD	Amended Plat	Working on Roadway Easement	Nov. 2014			Lime Creek Rd is a prescriptive easement thru Lot 51
8011 Lakeview	Gold and Beaches LTD	Subdivision	Awaiting Amended Plat	Nov-14			
Address	Owner' Name	Type of Project	Stage/Status	Date Discuss Started	Builder	Red Tagged	Variance
16409 Sherman	Davison	Single Family Residence	Plans in Review	15-Mar	Cambridge Custom		
8010 Bernard	Gamble	Built Driveway without a permit No drainage Mitigation	?	Oct. 2013	Robert Nelson	Yes	Joan started with my help awaiting plans
7323 Reed	Rause	Garage	Awaiting Plans	Apr-15	Themselves	Yes Building w/o a permit	
8504 Lime Creek	Springer	Single Family Resident	Awaiting Owners Plans and Timetable	Nov. 2014			
Booth	Confidential	Subdivision	Awaiting Owners Decision and Plans	Dec. 2014			
8408 Lime Creek	Chaudhari	Single Family Resident	Had Conceptual Meeting awaiting Owners Plans	Dec. 2014			

16202 Davidson (8208 Lakeview)	Mitchell	Major Remodel Change of Footprint	Met with owner and he will bring back a building plan	Jan. 2015	Themselves	Yes	
8212 West Drive	Smith	Thinking of Building a Small Garage and Guest Home	Awaiting Owners Plans and Timetable	Mar-14			
8136 Joy Rd	Church Services	Plumbing	Back Flow Inspection	15-Apr			
15716 Booth	Spurlin	Building New Home	Had Conceptual Meeting awaiting Owners Plans	15-Mar			Building in the Rear and street side set back
7317 Blue Heron Lime Creek Rd	Gavenda Sparks	FEMA Re Zoning Driveway	Working with Owner and Insurance Company to try and reduce increase	15-Apr	Themselves		
Private Easement Reed and Macks Canyon	Albreck and Wes	Roadway/Trail	Dispute Among Neighbors	15-Apr	Themselves	Yes	Building w/o Permit No Proof of Ownership
16100 Wharf Cove	Carter	Major Remodel Change of Footprint	Awaiting Plans	15-Apr	Themselves		
7902 Lakeview	Hansen	Demolition of Abandoned House	Demolition will start this week depending on weather	15-May	GC Builders		
8301 Lime Creek	Sparks	Driveway	Awaiting Plans	15-May	R. Nelson		
7507 Davy	Bao	Water Tank, Driveway, Remodel	Awaiting Plans	15-May	R Nelson/G Frame	Yes	Building w/o Permit

City Administrator Report 4-19-15

Administrative

Worked on and attended committees meetings on the standing committees. 3 more Meetings since last Regular Council Meeting

Working to develop corrected list for TCAD

Processing few complaints mostly on, what is going on in private easements, sign

Working with Capital Metro on receiving our Build Central Texas funds rebate or fee, and getting figures for removing ourselves from Capital Metro

Work with auditors to finish audit and start new audit

Working on GLO to see if we can tack on the Travis County and City of Austin National Disaster Recovery Grant

Working with State Comptroller on missing sales tax revenue

Working with Bookkeeper to correct posting errors and reports.

Working with K Springer on dog kennels

Working with K Springer on Snake Awareness Training

Working with Several Residents on their new FEMA assessment.

Working with Public Safety and 911 on Reverse 911 and getting us set up as a local provider.

Working with TX DOT to get updates on our paving schedule and repair of FM 2769

Working and attending several meetings and request for information from TCRFMA for FEMA required Mitigation Plan. Working extensively with Babs and Jan on Mitigation Actions

Work with Travis County Joint Task Force for Evacuation Plan and hardened areas and structures.

Working with Travis County Joint Task Force for National Fire Assessment Rating System

Working with Environmental Committee to track changes and budget, Carey Witt and Robert Nelson

Worked with Public Works Robert Nelson and Jan Yenawine and the Mayor on drainage problems on Jackson and Lime Creek

Worked with Sign Company to get knock over signs repaired or replaced and to mark deeply washed out curve on Lime Creek with no shoulder marked.

Working on getting all of the Short Term Rental residents permitted. Down to just one not permitted.

Researching Election on Sales Tax and Economic Development Tax options

Worked with City Engineer on FEMA and FIRM to help residents getting hit hard by insurance increases.

Worked with Mayor to ID properties that might possible be defined as dangerous structure, took pictures and ID properties.

Scheduled Law Enforcement for Memorial Day

Helped Public Safety to Develop Law Enforcement Schedule for this fiscal year.

Worked with Tom Hand to repair Well House for storage for the Village of Volente City Hall Materials.

Updated Wikipedia for Volente

Work with TC Elections to Set Up and I help man the May Election.

Working on the abandoned and derelict house program.

Researching a USDA grant

Ordinances

Worked with Council Members and others on recommendations to PZ on zoning conditional use ongoing projects, meeting on a regular basis.

Finishing List on all of our Ordinances and Resolutions

Working on creating existing use map for Volente

Working with Fire Chief to develop new Fire Code and Urban Wildfire Interface codes

Working with Public Safety to Develop FEMA Mitigation Plan and Emergency Management Plan

Still Working with R Roucloux on developing a checklist for subdivision.

Extensively research on Chapter 245, Section 30.139, Section 33.304, and Chapter 211

Meet with Council Members to update them on our different ordinances and principles of land planning.

Working on Comprehensive inputting corrections and updates

Pulling together data for Baseline Analysis for Comprehensive Plan

Developed Resolution for Additional Signatory on Checking Account.

Worked extensively on Emergency Management Plan Draft with Walter for the Public Safety Committee

Worked with TX Forest Service and Public Safety Committee to see about becoming a Fire wise certified community. (With some insurance companies this will lower your home owners insurance)

Development

Several construction meetings and pre application meetings with new incoming residents and their builders had six meetings on variance requests. We are getting a lot of interest in property out here.

Reworking the application for building permits and checklists.

Set up several inspections and follow up on the several construction projects going on in the town.

Working with ATS for code, building and sign compliance list.

Working with ATS to develop definition of repair, remodel, alteration and the difference between minor and major.

Working on one subdivision.

Worked extensively with residents, property owners and surveyors on Road Vacate project and costs

Working with ATS to develop our inspections, and data on their electronic data base.

CITY SECRETARY REPORT

VILLAGE OF
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Ken Beck
MAYOR

Mark Scott
MAYOR PRO-TEM

Babs Yarbrough
COUNCILMAN

Kristi Belote
COUNCILMAN

Bill Connors
COUNCILMAN

David Springer
COUNCILMAN

Bookkeeping:

- Near completion of necessary changes in QB to complete the Audit
- Worked directly with the Bookkeeper to ensure Accounts Payable and Receivable were posted accurately and in a timely manner
- Prepared AR Statements and ran AP to pay Vendor bills
- Ran and prepared detailed reports for Council Members and the Budget, Finance, and Administration Committee
- Worked to finally get Payroll completed remotely, cutting down on our outside services costs
- Organized the Accounts Payable files in office
- Deposited funds received from permitting and development projects
- Submitted reports and payment to TMRS

Website:

- Olive Fest updates continually posted to the website, including now the pictures of Olive Fest in a slideshow
- Photo Friday has been a hit, and submissions are coming in from residents who have said they did not visit the website before this contest
- Working on organizing data and uploads from the other website to be included and posted on our current website
- Re-arranged tabs to provide easier access to desired information
- Created graphics and images to get information to residents in a visually pleasing manner
- Updated the City and Community Calendar on the website with meeting dates, community events, and office closures
- Posted the required Travis County Hazard Mitigation Survey to the website
- Currently working on updating the Directory to include all Committees, their members and email addresses
- Posted to Nextdoor, the website, and our Village Facebook information about Trash Day and Olive Fest

Agendas and Minutes:

- Prepared Agendas for 9 meetings
- Prepared Backup Packets for 9 meetings
- Attended 5 meetings, 4 of which were weeknight meetings
- Prepared 4 sets of minutes and assisted with the completion of sets from Committees
- Meeting minutes from past dates signed and posted to website
- Going through binders now of Committees to ensure I have all sets of minutes from 2014 to close out the year

Training:

- Still working on reading the Ordinances in my spare time
- Networked with City Secretaries from local municipalities (Jonestown, Lago Vista, Cedar Park, Leander, and Point Venture) on the recent bills that would affect our Local Elections and Ordinances
- Proposing training sessions for the summer months that would educate me on records retention and records laws, better serving the community, and ordinance and resolution requirements
- Finalized the Study Guide and Sample Test for my Municipal Court Clerk Level 1 Certification
- Joined the TMCCP and waiting on delivery of my books to begin studying for my certification

CITY SECRETARY REPORT, continued



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MVP:

- Volunteers are assisting with the Organization of files, most of which are just piled in boxes and need to be sorted
- We have openings for volunteer spots and welcome anyone to come to City Hall and participate, see Nancy Carufel to get signed up

Communications:

- Created a post card for Trash Day
- Prepared a mailing list of households within the Village of Volente, which was quite a task since we did not have a complete one.
- Received bids from several printing companies for the Trash Day postcard and was able to find a quick, very inexpensive printer
- Single handedly printed the mailing labels, prepared the post cards, stamped and labeled each one, and mailed off to our residents the Trash Day Post Cards
- Working on making sure that notices of our meetings are posted in as many ways as possible, including Nextdoor, the Website, Facebook and on the VVFD Board.

Day to Day:

- Answered emails, resident phone calls, took complaints.
- Researched items for Council Members and Mayor
- Took payments for permits and development projects

Julia Vicars, City Secretary

Monthly Crime Report – April



Below is the Travis County Sheriff's Office Report for the Month of March, highlighted items are confirmed with Spot Crime's Online Report

Response date	Response time	Case number	Pin code	Type of call	Street of occurrence
4/5/15	13:21		3456	FALSE ALARM/ BURG	Lime Creek Rd
4/9/15	17:01	150009462	3312	DISPOS SOLID WASTE	8200-BLK LIME CREEK RD
4/9/15	17:41		3709	HAZARD TRFC VIOL	7700-7799 LIME CREEK RD
4/9/15	18:14	150009472	3602	COLLISION WITH INJURY	8404 Lime Creek Rd
4/9/15	18:20		3406	SUSPIC ODOR	Lime Creek Rd
4/9/15	19:09		3709	HAZARD TRFC VIOL	16000-16017 MARY ST
4/9/15	19:37		3709	HAZARD TRFC VIOL	16002-16007 FM 2769 RD
4/14/15	15:55		DP	DIRECTED PATROL	15923 BOOTH CIR
4/15/15	15:42		DP	DIRECTED PATROL	15723 BOOTH CIR
4/17/15	13:36	150010245	3456	FALSE ALARM/ BURG	Beauregard Dr
4/17/15	15:02		4414	COMMUNITY CONTACT	15929 BOOTH CIR
4/17/15	15:50		4414	COMMUNITY CONTACT	8714 LIME CREEK RD
4/23/15	14:39	150010867	4305	WARNT ARRST/NTRF	BERNARD ST
4/23/15	15:22		3213	DANGEROUS ANIMAL	Fm 2769 Rd
4/28/15	9:35		DP	DIRECTED PATROL	15602-15607 FM 2769 RD

Already in May....

Unconfirmed Auto Theft on Reed Dr.

Unconfirmed Assist EMS on Wharf Cove.

VILLAGE OF VOLENTE

RESOLUTION NO. R2015-02

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BANK SIGNATURE
AUTHORIZATION.

Whereas, the Village Council finds that the Mayor is the Village Administrator and official budget officer; and

Whereas, bank expenditures approved by the Village Council will require two of three signatures to be in compliance with statutory requirements:

Now therefore, be it hereby resolved by the Council of the Village of Volente, Travis Co., Texas, that effective immediately upon passage:

THAT The persons holding the following elected positions or appointments for the Village of Volente shall have signature authority, with each check or withdrawal requiring the signatures of two persons:

1. Mayor
2. Mayor Pro-tem
3. Council Member Bill Connors, in the absence of the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem.

Passed and Approved by the Village Council on this 19 day of May, 2015.

Ken Beck
Mayor

Attest:

Julia Vicars
City Secretary

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Law Enforcement Schedule for Fiscal Year 2015

Public Safety Committee recommends the following schedule:

July 3rd One Officers from 12PM – 8 PM Another Officer from 5 PM to 1 AM

July 4th Two Officers from 5 PM to 1 AM Get officer to getting people out after Fire Works

Saturday September 5th One Officer 4 PM to 12 AM

Sunday September 6th One Officer 4 PM to 12 AM



VOLENTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Travis County Emergency Services District No. 14
15406 FM 2769
Volente, Texas 78641

Phone: 512-258-1114
Facsimile: 512-335-0657
www.VVFD.net

SITE PLAN DISAPPROVAL

**Site Address: 8408 Lime Creek RD
Volente TX 78641**

Date: May 7, 2015

Disapproval Comments:

- 1) Property does not meet the minimum Fire Flow Requirements as set forth in Table B105.1 of the International Fire Code, 2009 edition (IFC 209)

Construction Comments:

- 1) A NFPA 13D Compliant Residential Sprinkler System, along with on-site storage of water (for fire protection only) and an FDC will allow a partial reduction in the Fire Flow Requirements of Table B105.1

Battalion Chief, Brad Landi

City Secretary

From: David Springer <dspringer56@hotmail.com>
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**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
ABOUT INSURING A HOME
WITH FIRE SPRINKLERS**

Agenda Item C10

**A GUIDE FOR PROPERTY & CASUALTY
INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS**



Home Fire Sprinkler

COALITION

Protect What You Value Most

HomeFireSprinkler.org



FIRE—THE LARGEST SINGLE CAUSE OF PROPERTY LOSS

Fire is the largest single cause of property loss in the United States. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reports \$6.7 billion in direct residential property loss from fire in the United States in 2005. Three-quarters of the residential fires took place in one- and two-family dwellings causing \$5.7 billion in direct property loss. Most people are surprised to learn that eight out of ten fire deaths occur where they assume they are the safest—at home.

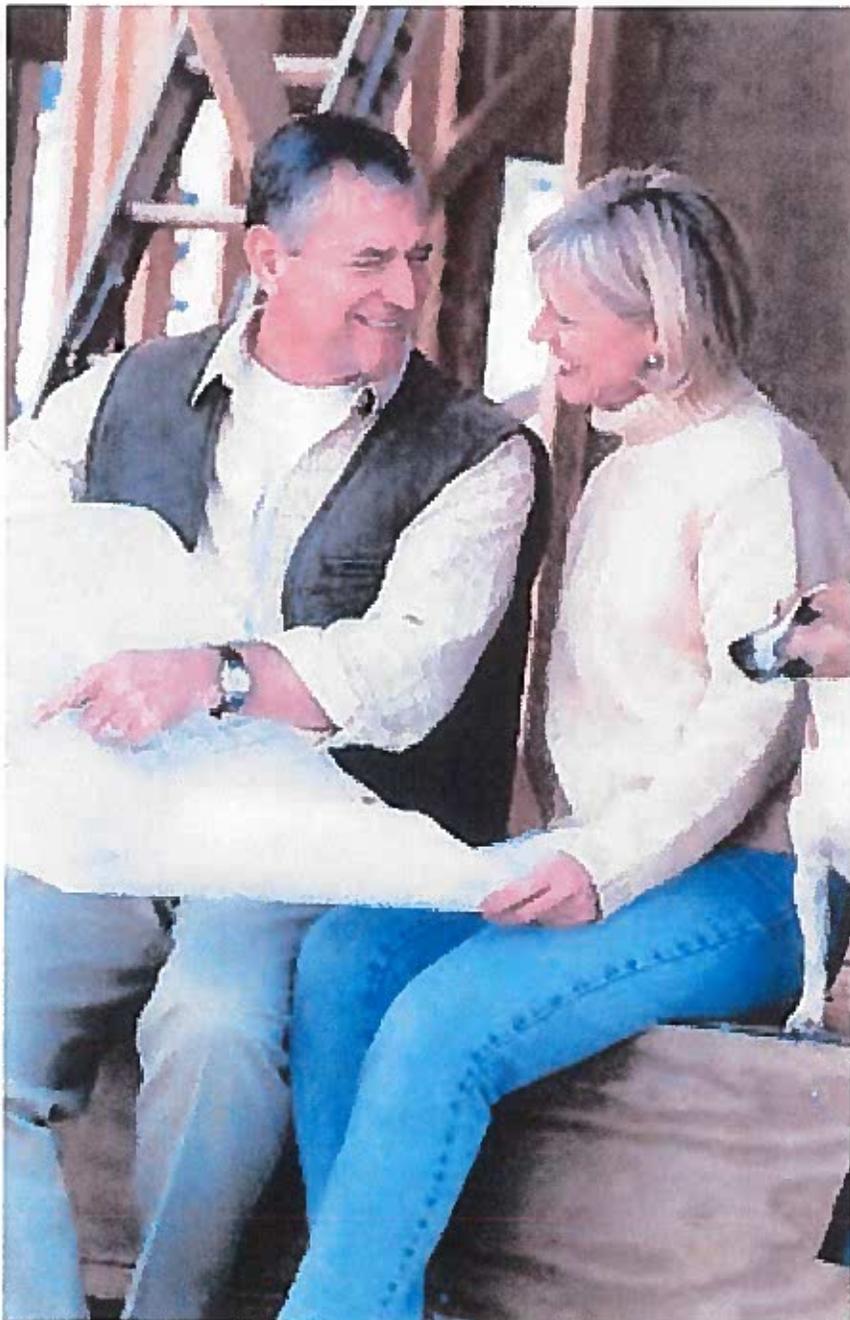
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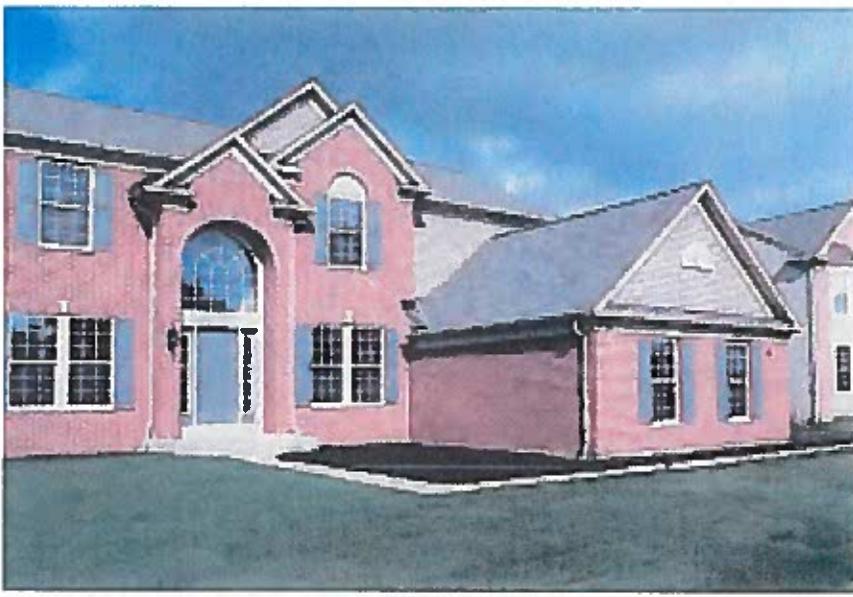
Fire sprinklers can make the home fire-safe and reduce property loss dramatically. A residential fire sprinkler system is like having a firefighter on duty 24 hours a day. Each sprinkler is individually activated by heat. Only the sprinkler closest to the fire activates, keeping the fire small or extinguishing it completely. Residents have more time to escape while fire sprinklers limit the growth and spread of fire, heat and toxic smoke.

Rewarding Customers Who Protect Their Property

Most insurers offer a premium discount for smoke alarms. Every home needs smoke alarms. But smoke alarms can only notify the resident of a fire; they cannot control the fire.

Installing a residential fire sprinkler system is also eligible for a premium discount with most insurers. Having it connected to a central station is usually worth an additional discount. Be sure to explain all of the discounts to your customer.





HOME FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS – A GROWING TREND THAT’S HERE TO STAY

If you haven't yet written a policy for a home with a fire sprinkler system, it's just a matter of time.

Fire sprinklers have been saving lives and protecting property for more than a century. Home fire sprinkler technology has also evolved greatly over the past 25 years, increasing its use dramatically. Today, reduced labor costs and low-profile sprinklers have helped make home fire sprinkler systems a highly desirable option, particularly in new construction.

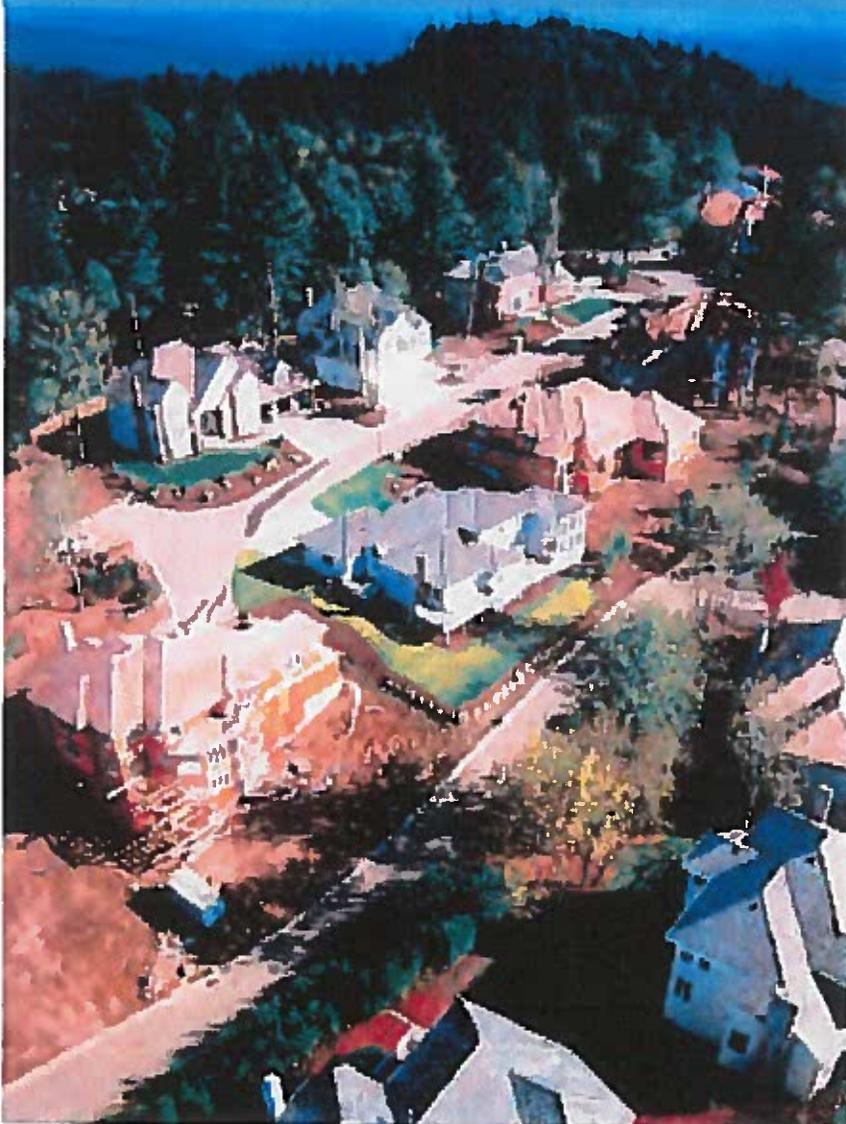
Installing fire sprinklers in homes is quickly catching on in communities large and small, urban and rural. Several hundred municipalities across the country have passed ordinances requiring fire sprinkler systems in new homes and more will be enacted as communities update their codes to comply with the new national requirements.

Sprinklers Increase a Home's Value

Savvy homebuyers are increasingly choosing to build homes with the options they want and need – including home fire safety. A national poll conducted by Harris Interactive® found that over two-thirds (69 percent) of U.S. homeowners say having a fire sprinkler system increases a home's value.

HARRIS INTERACTIVE® SURVEY FINDINGS

- 63% of homeowners are aware fire sprinklers are available for home use.
- 38% of homeowners say they would be more likely to purchase a new home with sprinklers than without them.
- 69% of homeowners say fire sprinklers increase a home's value.
- 45% of homeowners say a sprinklered home is more desirable than an unsprinklered home, most often because of added safety provided by sprinklers (51%).





Sidewall Sprinkler

Concealed Sprinkler

Pendent Sprinkler

INSURING A HOME WITH A RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER SYSTEM

Both you and the insured want the same thing – adequate coverage to protect the home and its contents. A home with an automatic fire sprinkler system is well protected. That is valuable peace of mind.

It is important to know how fire sprinkler systems work. The benefits of residential fire sprinkler systems are life safety, property protection, and increased home values.

The Facts about Home Fire Sprinkler Systems

Fire sprinklers are connected to a piping network that contains water. Most residential fire sprinkler systems use strong plastic piping and are connected to the municipal water supply. Just like plumbing, the piping is hidden behind the walls and ceilings. In unfinished basements, the piping may be exposed to view. Where there is no municipal water supply, a tank and pump may be necessary to provide water to the sprinkler system.

Residential sprinklers are designed to react faster than standard commercial sprinklers. Each fire sprinkler has a temperature sensitive element that causes the sprinkler to open when there is a fire. Water will flow from only the activated sprinkler controlling the fire until the fire department arrives. Smoke, cooking vapors, or steam cannot cause the sprinklers to activate – sprinklers only operate in response to the heat of a fire. Residential sprinklers are designed to be installed on the wall or ceiling or may be concealed behind a decorative plate.

Sprinklers Operate Individually, in Response to the High Temperature of a Fire

Each fire sprinkler has a temperature-sensitive element. Sprinklers flow only when the temperature near the sprinkler reaches 135°-165°F and they operate for sufficient time to keep a fire extinguished or controlled until the fire department arrives.

Maintenance is a Snap

Sprinklers require very little maintenance. It's essential to keep the water valve turned on, so a simple visual inspection should be done routinely to ensure the valve is open. And, inspect the pipes and sprinklers occasionally to make sure nothing is obstructing them.

Every home sprinkler system should have a water flow test on a regular basis. It's a simple test that can be done by the homeowner or a fire sprinkler contractor.

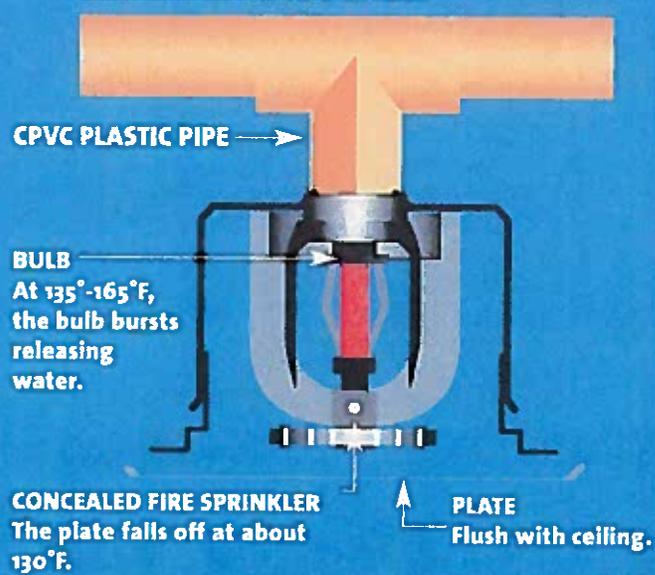


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HOW HOME FIRE SPRINKLERS WORK

A sprinkler covers a minimum 12 X 12 foot area.
Extended coverage sprinklers can cover a
maximum area of 20 X 20 feet.



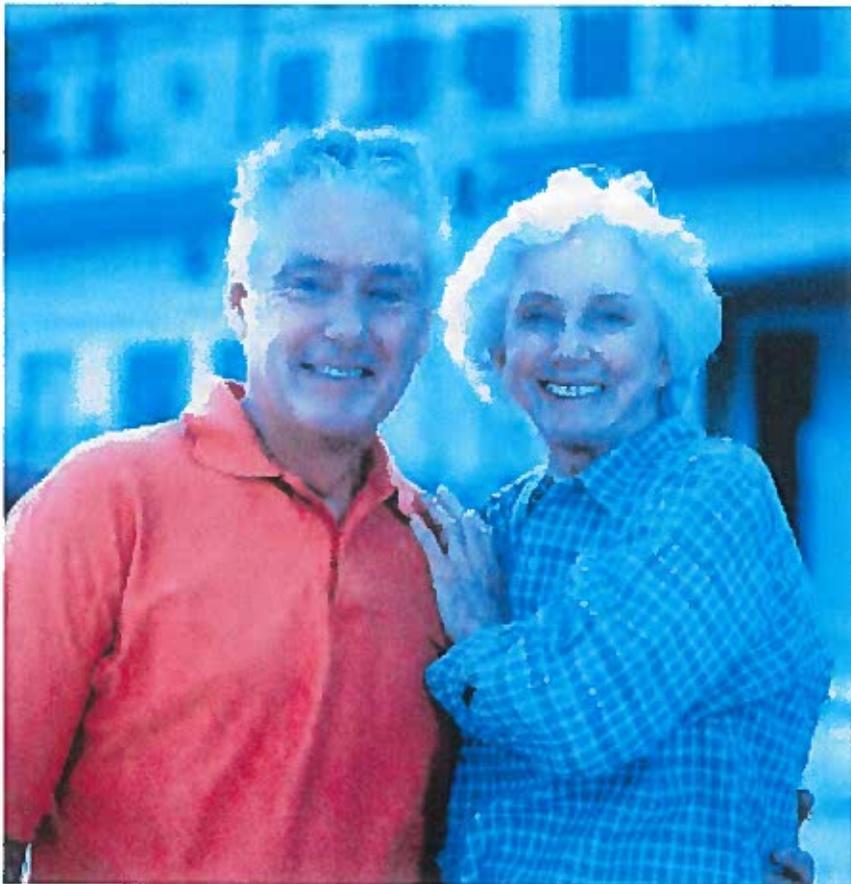
THE ADVANTAGES OF A HOME FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM

With Fire Sprinklers

When a fire starts, the heat from the fire will cause the sprinkler closest to the fire to operate. The quick action of the sprinkler gives residents more time to safely escape. Fire growth stops and flashover is prevented. By controlling heat, flames and smoke, the sprinkler system protects additional property from the fire. The water dispensed from a sprinkler is much less than what would be required by fire department hoses to do the same job.

Without Fire Sprinklers

Without fire sprinklers, the fire will continue to grow, spreading heat and toxic gases. The fire becomes deadly within minutes. Once flashover occurs everything in the room is on fire. The room is untenable once flashover occurs. Firefighters will use hoses that flow large amounts of water to extinguish the fire. The home suffers more damage from the fire and water than if it had fire sprinklers.



HOME FIRE SPRINKLER FAQs

If one sprinkler goes off, do they all go off?

Only the sprinkler(s) closest to the fire will activate.

If I burn the toast will the sprinkler activate?

Sprinklers are activated by heat. Smoke from any source including cooking will not activate the sprinkler.

HOW HOME FIRE SPRINKLERS WORK

Sprinklers are linked by a network of piping, typically hidden behind walls and ceilings and usually drawing upon household water sources.



Each sprinkler protects an area below, and when heated by fire, activates.



Only the sprinkler closest to the fire will activate, spraying water directly on the fire.

Will my sprinklers leak?

Leaky sprinklers are very rare. Sprinkler systems are less likely to leak than the other plumbing in the home.

Is post-fire water damage from sprinklers worse than fire damage would be without sprinklers?

A residential sprinkler flows 10 to 26 gallons per minute for approximately 10 minutes (depends on how soon responding firefighters turn off the system). The fire department uses hoses that flow 250 gallons per minute or more; often 10 times the water used by a residential sprinkler. The property loss in a home with residential sprinklers is only a fraction of the loss in a home with no sprinklers.

Won't the fire department be able to put out the fire and save my things?

Smoke and heat destroy home contents that are not close to the fire. Residential sprinklers reduce this damage dramatically by limiting the fire (especially before the arrival of the fire department).

Will my sprinklers freeze in the winter?

Freezing is not a problem when the residential sprinkler system is correctly installed to the requirements of NFPA 13D.

Since I have smoke alarms, why do I need fire sprinklers?

Smoke alarms are essential, but a residential sprinkler system will control the fire and allow occupants additional time to escape. The best protection from fire is to have both smoke alarms and a residential sprinkler system.

Are fire sprinklers difficult to maintain?

Little maintenance is needed. Regular flow tests and inspection of valves is required. These tests can be done by the homeowner or a sprinkler contractors.

In Scottsdale, AZ, a 15-year study of home fire sprinklers showed that the average loss per sprinklered fire incident was \$2,166 compared to more than \$45,000 for unsprinklered homes.



This program is supported by Fire Prevention and Safety Grant funding through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security



Home Fire Sprinkler

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There's logic, and there's Uponor Logic

Uponor Logic is a unique approach to fire safety systems that focuses on providing peace of mind, saving lives and protecting property. But what it really means is a better way of doing business.

- Intuitive, intelligent products designed to be clean, quiet and healthy
- Comfort, safety and convenience for homeowners
- Proven performance and reliability
- Innovation that never, ever stops

Simply put, Uponor Logic assures you that you're installing the best fire safety solutions the industry has to offer.

Sustainable resources, environmental responsibility

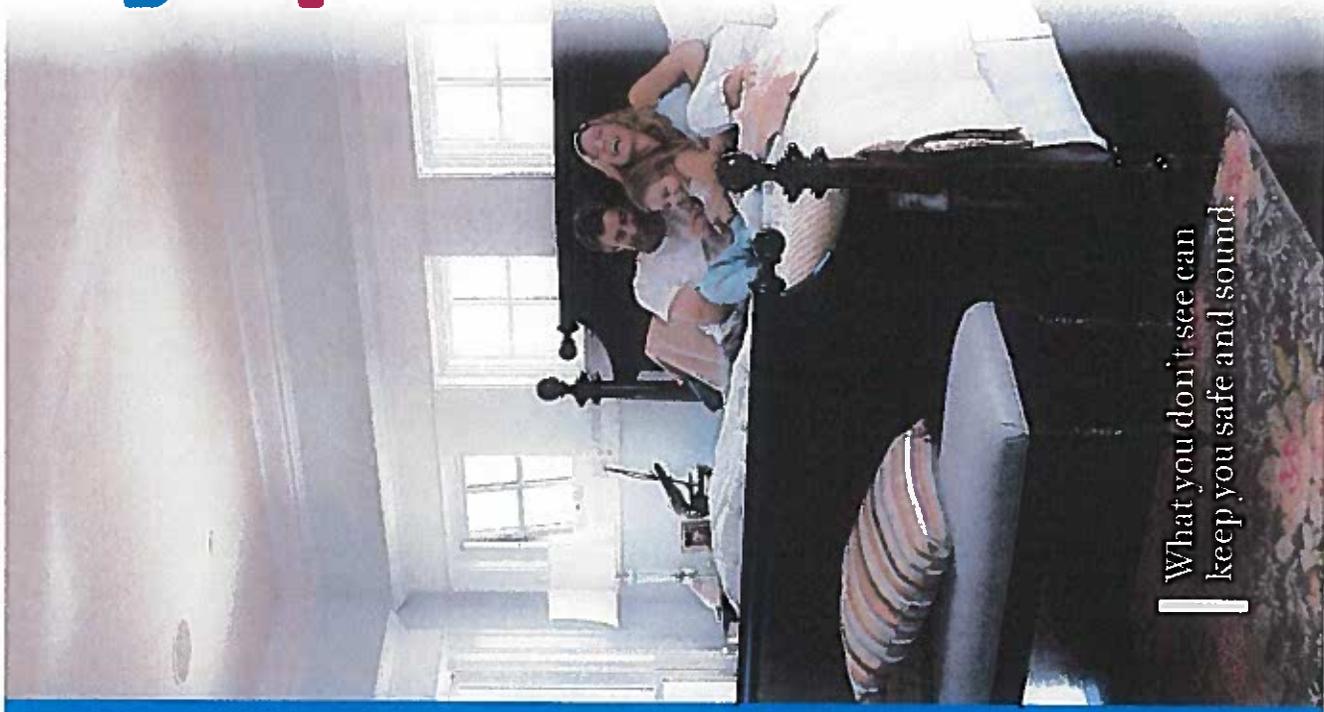
Our commitment to sustainable building includes the ongoing development of new materials and methods that reduce negative environmental impact. We sell systems that conserve water and use less energy. We're creating technologies that use cleaner installation methods. Look to Uponor for greater efficiencies and smaller demands on the earth's resources.

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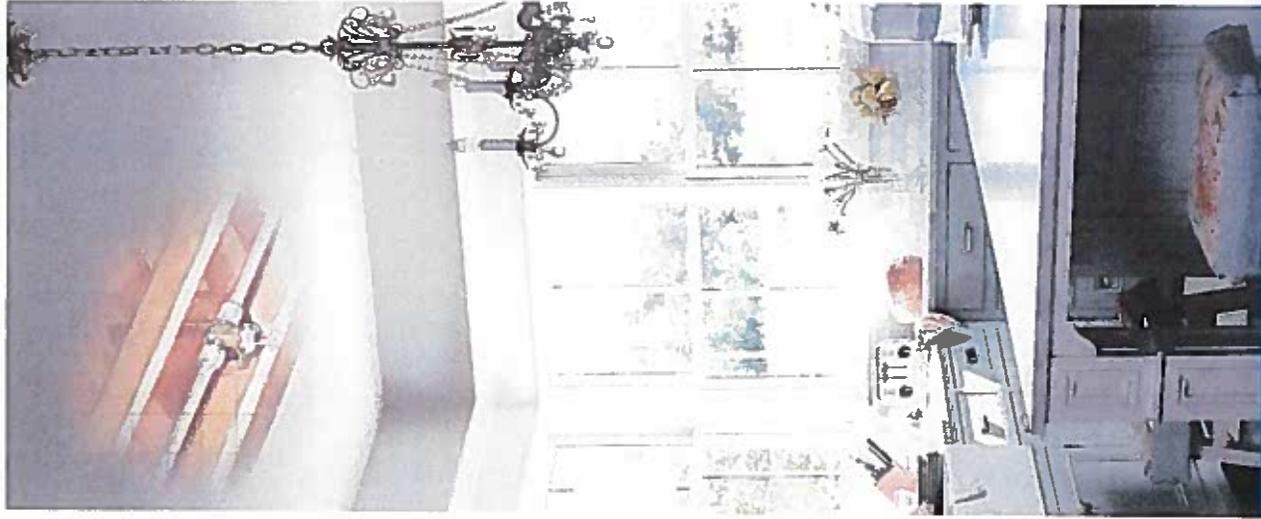
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RESIDENTIAL FIRE
SAFETY SYSTEMS

HOME SAFETY



A smart investment in safety and peace of mind:

Your home is the one place in the world where you and your family should always feel safe. And while everyone knows that smoke detectors in every room can alert you in the event of a fire, there's another level of fire protection available today that's simple, reliable and affordable.

A fire sprinkler system is an investment that safeguards your family and your home against the dangers and costs of a home fire. An Uponor AquaSAFE™ Residential Fire Sprinkler System provides the protection you want and performs with unmatched reliability while preserving the beauty of your home.

For the same price as an upgrade like stainless steel appliances or granite countertops, you can purchase a fire safety system upgrade that will protect your family and property.



Our sprinklers can be concealed behind a special plate that falls away when activated.



Uponor AquaPEX™ tubing carries a 25-year limited warranty when installed by an Uponor-trained professional.

Why do fire marshals support Uponor?

- Home fires are reported every 90 seconds in the United States. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), eight out of 10 fire fatalities occur in homes.
- Industry research indicates that installing smoke alarms improves survival rates by 50%, but installing smoke alarms and a fire safety system increases survival rates to 97%.
- It takes only five minutes for a fire to engulf a typical home. Without sprinklers, a fire can burn up to an additional 15 minutes before firefighters arrive. With an Uponor AquaSAFE System, a single sprinkler can control and in many cases extinguish a fire in just seconds.
- According to the Residential Fire Safety Institute (RFSI), hoses used by firefighters discharge up to 200 (946 liters) gallons of water a minute into a home. An Uponor Fire Sprinkler System sprays just 10–15 gallons (38–57 liters) a minute. Fire reports show that property damage is nine times lower in homes equipped with sprinkler systems.
- An increasing number of communities are requiring residential fire safety systems in their building codes. Installing an Uponor AquaSAFE System during construction ensures your family's safety, protects and increases the value of your home, and may even reduce your insurance rates.



The upgrade that's right for your home

An Uponor AquaSAFE System isn't just the most effective form of protecting your family and belongings from home fires — it's also the most simple, reliable and cost-efficient system on the market.

Added Value

- An Uponor Fire Sprinkler System is an extension of your home's plumbing system, so it can be installed quickly and affordably — especially if it's incorporated into your mortgage.

- Installing an Uponor AquaSAFE System adds to the resale value of your home, and can even reduce your insurance rates.

Reliable Performance

- Residential sprinklers respond to intense heat — not smoke — so the odds of a malfunction are just one in 16 million.
- Uponor's sprinkler systems use the same dependable PEX-a tubing that's used in your home's plumbing. PEX-a requires fewer connections and resists corrosion, making it virtually leak-proof.

- Uponor's proven, maintenance-free fire safety systems have been reliably protecting thousands of homes just like yours for years.

Low-profile Design

- The sprinklers used in the Uponor AquaSAFE System can be recessed into the ceiling and covered by a small protective plate that makes them virtually invisible, allowing them to blend into your home's décor.

- You experience the peace of mind that comes with the industry's best fire safety system without compromising the beauty of your home.

Call or visit Uponor online today

For more information about the benefits of fire sprinklers, visit the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition at www.homefiresprinkler.org

To learn more about Uponor's Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems, visit us online or call us toll-free. In the U.S., go to www.uponor-usa.com or call 800.321.4739. In Canada, visit www.uponor.ca or call 888.994.7726.

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Uponor Solutions: Residential Fire Safety



Uponor AquaSAFE™ vs. Standalone CPVC Systems

Uponor AquaSAFE multipurpose systems are installed with flexible PEX (crosslinked polyethylene) tubing. This is the same reliable tubing used to plumb the majority of all new homes today. Standalone systems generally use rigid CPVC (chlorinated polyvinyl chloride) or metal pipe.

The same reasons why [PEX plumbing](#) is installed in more homes today than rigid CPVC and copper combined also apply to its use for residential fire sprinkler systems.

- **Fewer Fittings Reduces Liability:** PEX-a tubing is very flexible, which means it can easily bend around corners and obstructions, reducing the number of required fittings and connections by nearly half. Eliminating half of the connections in a system also removes half of the potential leak points.
- **No dry-fitting leaks:** The shape memory of PEX-a tubing makes it ideal for ProPEX® expansion fittings, which require the tubing and an expansion ring to be expanded before a fitting can be inserted. This unique system is highly reliable and eliminates the concern of dry-fitting leaks, which occur when a connection is temporarily joined before it is cemented or soldered. If an installer inadvertently forgets to go back and cement or solder the connection, a costly dry-fitting leak will result.
- **Better Flow:** The elimination of fittings also improves a system's performance. This is particularly important for fire sprinkler systems, which rely on having the necessary water flow available in case of activation. Every additional fitting adds friction, reducing the hydraulic performance of the system, which can require system upsizing and increased material costs.
- **Freeze Leak Resistance:** Since many fire sprinkler systems are installed in cold-weather attics, freezing is a potential issue. While all systems should be properly insulated to prevent frozen tubing, the natural flexibility of Uponor PEX a allows it to expand up to three times its diameter without cracking.

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Uponor PEX	Accidental Pex Leak, High Pressure	Stand Alone CPVC	Status
residential	residential Heating & Cooling	Fire, Heating	unapproved
Multi-Room	Residential Plumbing	Water, Heating	Approved (CPVC only)
Multi-Room (Hot)	Commercial Plumbing	Water, Heating	
Commercial (High Temp)	Commercial Plumbing		
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How an Uponor AquaSAFE™ Multipurpose System Works

In 2000, Uponor began installing AquaSAFE™ – the industry’s first non-stagnant, multipurpose plumbing and fire sprinkler system, forever revolutionizing the way residential sprinkler systems were installed and utilized.

The Uponor AquaSAFE system features flexible, durable crosslinked polyethylene (PEX) tubing to supply water to the sprinklers as well as the cold-water plumbing fixtures in a home. This type of system provides additional peace of mind because each time you use a cold-water plumbing fixture, you know water is also available to the sprinklers if it is ever needed in the event of a fire.

AquaSAFE Fire Sprinkler System Video



Watch how an Uponor AquaSAFE fire sprinkler system works and see the key benefits of PEX plumbing and fire safety.

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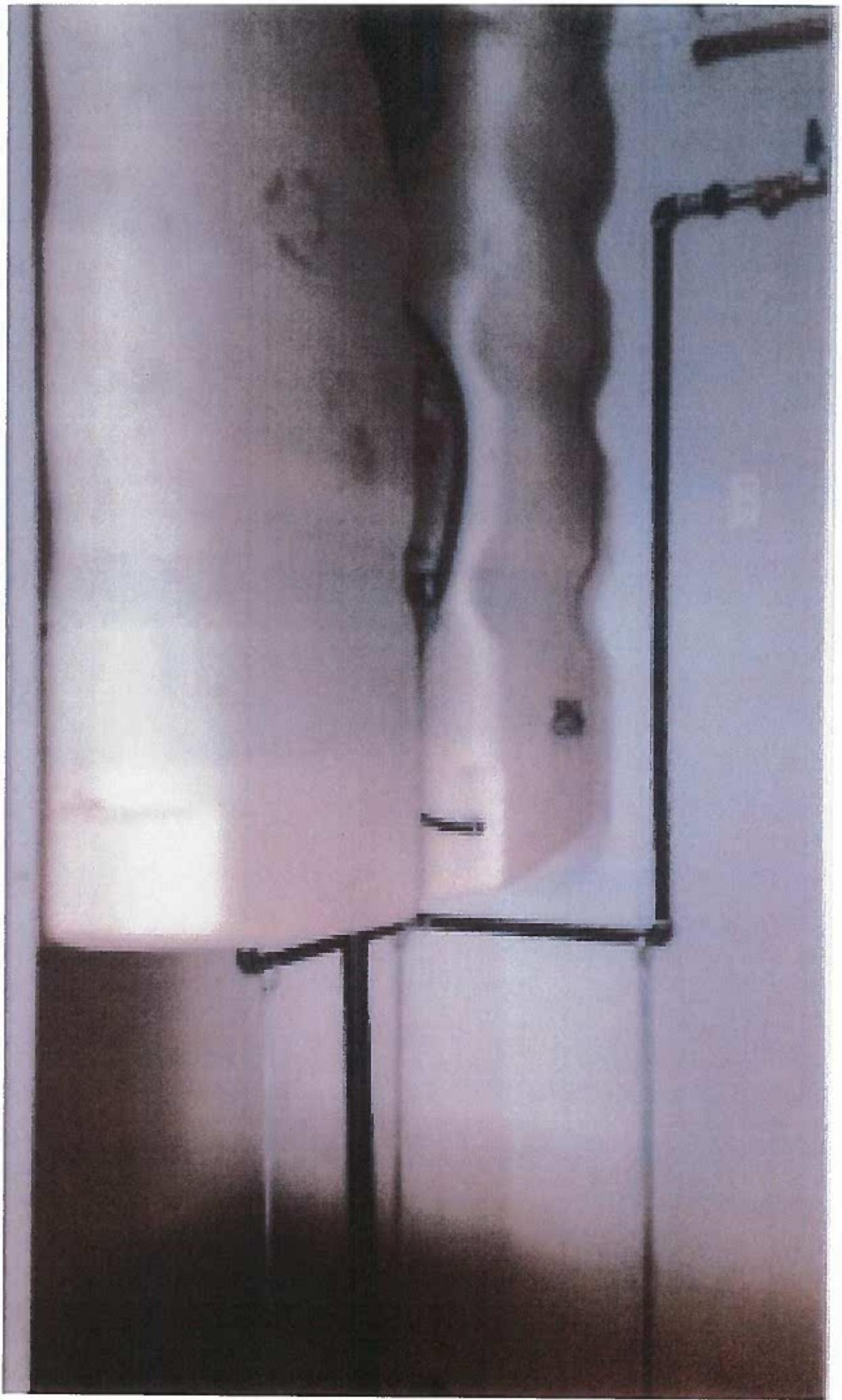
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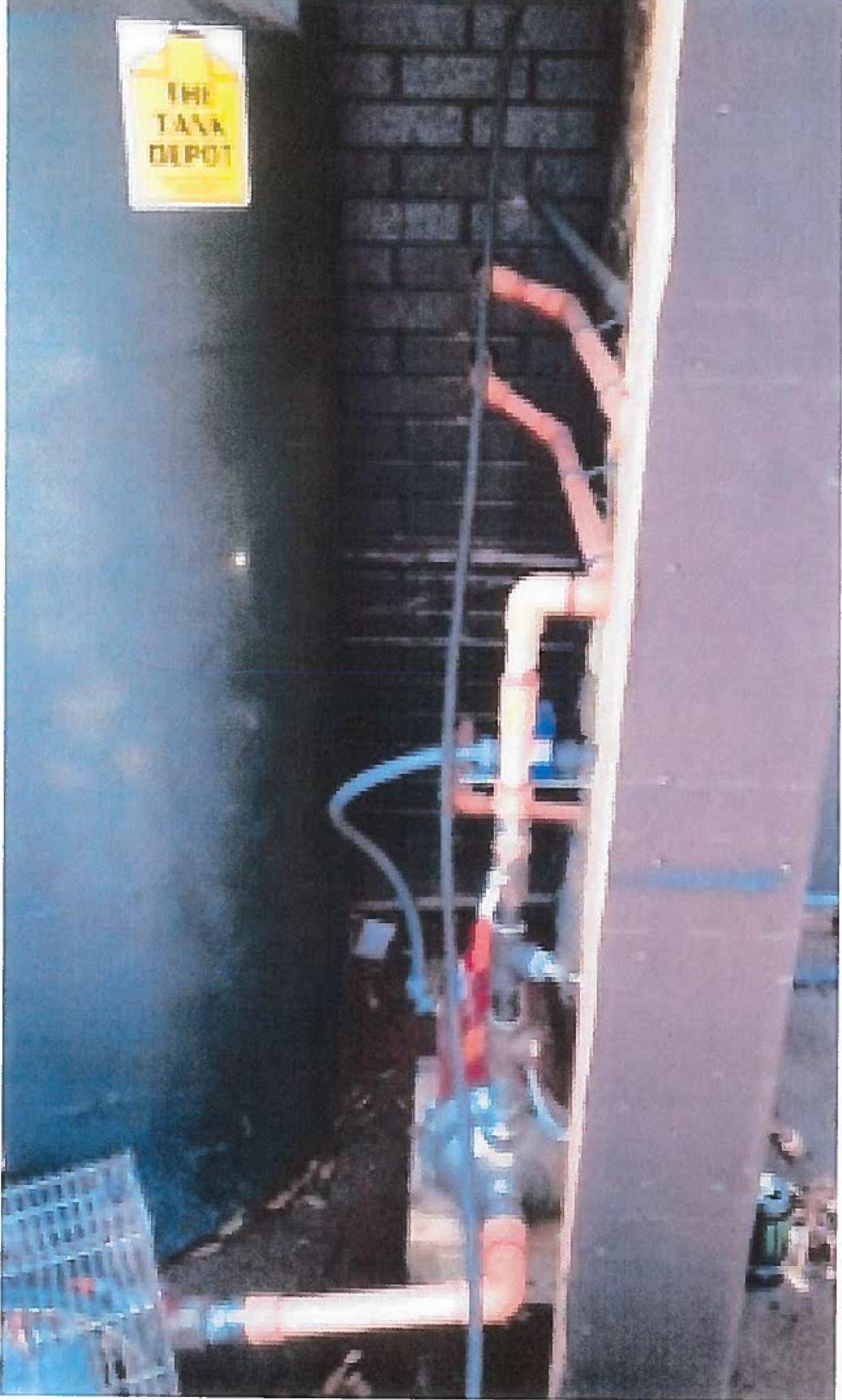
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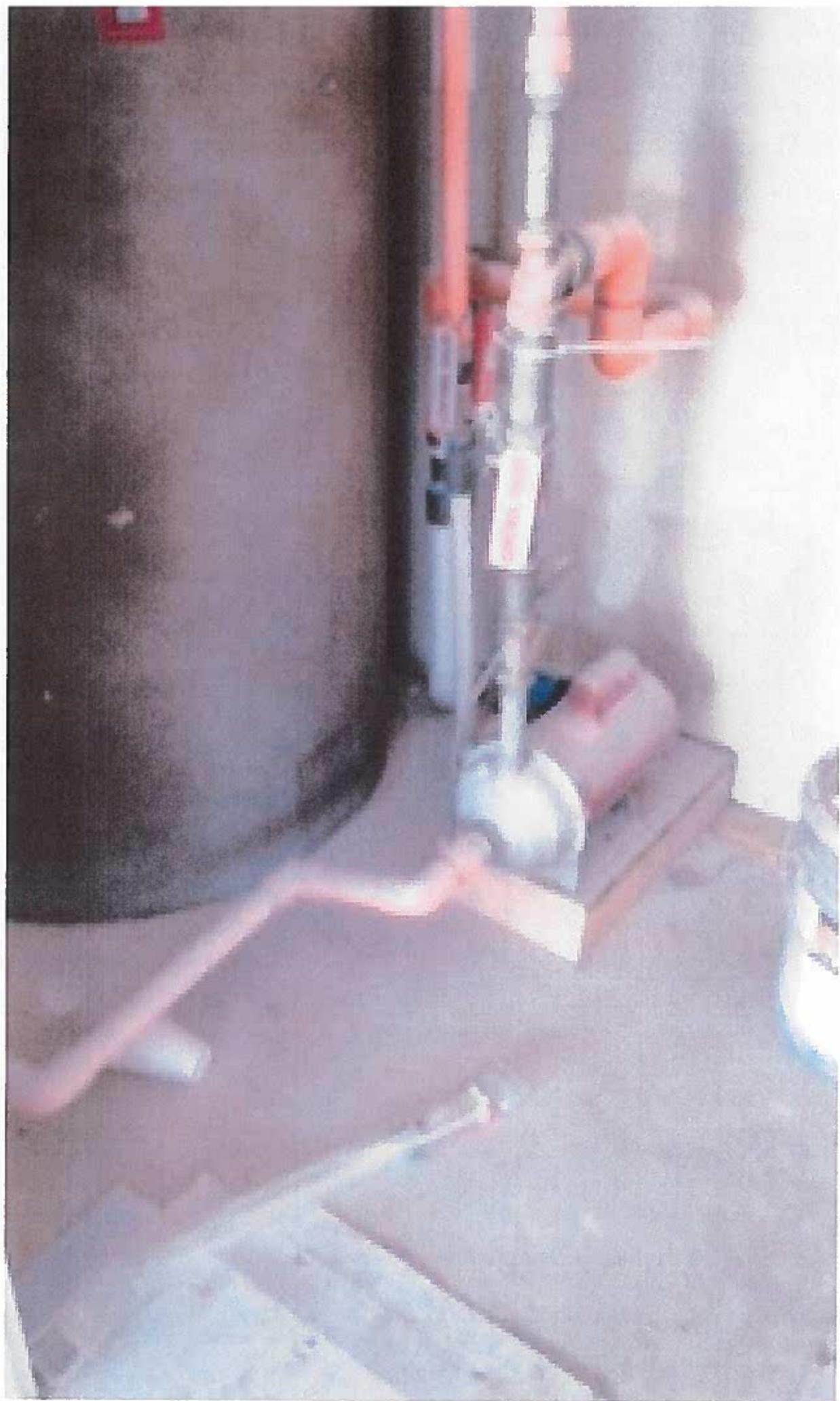


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Draft Definitions for Zoning

***Intended for discussion purposes and as a starting point for conceptual changes*

Water Tanks:

- Installed tanks used as water supply to homes and filled by a water truck, well, or rain water harvesting.
- Maximum size is 10 foot high by 10 foot diameter, but multiple tanks may be installed.
- Recommended colors are black, brown, or grey. Dark plastic or metal is recommended to limit sunlight exposure and algae growth.
- Water tanks are defined as not being “structures” and may be installed in the setbacks
- If installed in a Public Utility Easement (PUE), the owner has full liability if a utility company requests the tanks be moved

Foundation:

- The footings of a residence or building under the heated and cooled living space of the structure

Height:

- The vertical height of a structure is measured from the finished grade at half way between the front building line foundation and rear building line foundation

Minor Project:

- A remodel project may not require a building permit if:
 - There is no increase in footprint of the building(s) *and*
 - There is no increase in impervious cover or the impervious cover remains under allowed maximum *and*
 - There are no plans to re-do wiring or electrical circuits or plumbing connections, and no plans to open up or expose wall structures

-OR-

 - Project expands existing footprint by less than 25% and still remains under impervious cover maximum *and*
 - There are no plans to re-do wiring or electrical circuits or plumbing connections, and no plans to open up or expose wall structures.

IF electrical or plumbing work is to be done, then a remodel permit is required. Inspections are mandatory and may be conducted by the Village inspector or by residents’ inspector with inspection report delivered to the Village

Remodel Building Permit:

- Much less restrictive permitting process based on significance of remodel project being less than 25% expansion of existing building.
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Barbara Wilson

From: Delisi, Vincent <Vincent.Delisi@austintexas.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2015 8:23 AM
To: Barbara Wilson; Meighan, Gwen
Cc: Lopez, David B. [HHS]
Subject: RE: Environmental Investigations.

Good morning Ms. Wilson,

We are happy to provide your jurisdiction with the environmental investigations service. This cost of this service is a flat rate of \$1,500/year for up to 5 separate investigations. If additional investigations are required, the fee can be adjusted in the next fiscal year. Payments are may in two installments of \$750.00 due November 1st and May 1st of each fiscal year.

Our Environmental Health Officers are able to investigate all types of nuisance conditions and Health and Safety Code violations under state statutes. Compliance actions, such as court cases, fines, penalties are the responsibility of the jurisdiction.

We would need to amend the current inter-local agreement along with the renewal scheduled for this summer, and the new services would be effective October 1, 2015.

Please contact me at your convenience at the number below, if you have questions and as we move through the renewal process.

Thank you,

Vincent Delisi

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Environmental Health Services Division
Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department
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NEW LOBBY HOURS AS OF FEBRUARY 2nd, 2015:

Monday thru Friday 7:45am to 3:30pm

Effective 2/2/15 faxed documents will no longer be accepted. Please email request to: ehsd.service@austintexas.gov

Please complete our Environmental Health Services survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/EHSDSurvey

From: Barbara Wilson [mailto:city.admin@volentetexas.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2015 4:01 PM
To: Meighan, Gwen
Cc: Delisi, Vincent; Lopez, David B. [HHS]
Subject: RE: Environmental Investigations.

Gwen

Like you we are a governmental agency, first I need pricing and a list of services. Then I can post it to the budget and finance committee who if they approve it goes to council and has to be posted and reviewed first. So what I need now is what is the service, what does it entail, and how much. Thank you. Tell them to call me if they have any questions.

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Sent: Monday, May 04, 2015 12:29 PM

To: Barbara Wilson (city.admin@volentetexas.gov)

Cc: Delisi, Vincent; Lopez, David B. [HHS]

Subject: Re:Environmental Investigations.

Hi Ms. Barbara. I spoke to David and Vince and they said that where you need to start is by sending a request for amending your contract. In that request state what you want us to do and when you want us to start doing it. After we receive the request we will send you information as to what we can offer you. If you have any questions give me a call or send me an e-mail. Thanks

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Please complete our Environmental Health Services survey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/EHSDSurvey

NEW LOBBY HOURS AS OF February 2, 2015:

Monday - Friday 7:45 AM to 3:30 PM