



BOARD MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF VENTURA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SUPERVISORS STEVE BENNETT, LINDA PARKS,  
KATHY I. LONG, PETER C. FOY AND JOHN C. ZARAGOZA  
February 23, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Second Public Hearing Regarding Adoption of an Ordinance Revising Requirements  
for the Environmental Health Division Backflow Prevention Program.  
(Resource Management Agency)

- (X) All Board members are present, except Supervisor Long is absent.
- (X) The Board holds a public hearing.
- (X) The following person is heard: Bill Stratton.
- (X) Upon motion of Supervisor Foy, seconded by Supervisor Zaragoza, and duly carried, the Board hereby approves staff recommendations as stated in the Board letter.

I hereby certify that the annexed instrument is a true and correct copy of the document which is on file in this office.

Dated: 2/25/16 MICHAEL POWERS  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura, State of California

By: Lon Jurnis  
Deputy Clerk of the Board

By: Brian Palmer  
Brian Palmer  
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board



ORDINANCE NO. 4487

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VENTURA COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE, DIVISION 4,  
CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 4, PERTAINING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
VENTURA COUNTY CROSS-CONNECTION PROGRAM

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Ventura ordains that sections 4693 through 4698 of chapter 6 of division 4 of the Ventura County Ordinance Code are amended to read as follows:

4693 - Purpose and authority.

The Ventura County Environmental Health Division of the Resource Management Agency is responsible for enforcing within Ventura County those regulations set forth in Title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 7583 et seq., relating to safeguarding drinking water supplies by preventing backflow. In order to properly exercise its duties, the Environmental Health Division requires assurance that anyone testing and making reports on backflow prevention devices as required by law is competent to perform those services.

4694 - Certification.

The Environmental Health Division shall periodically conduct examinations to determine the competency of applicants to test and make reports on backflow prevention devices. The examinations shall consist of both written and practical formats. Those persons who are determined to be competent shall be issued a "certificate of competence" valid for two years, and shall be issued such identification as deemed appropriate by the Director of the Environmental Health Division. A certificate of competence relates only to testing and making reports on backflow prevention devices and does not certify competence in cross-connection control. Any person desiring certification shall make written application to the Environmental Health Division. Each application shall be accompanied by a non-refundable fee in an amount to be set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Each applicant must show proof that the applicant has attended and passed a backflow prevention course approved by the Environmental Health Division Director.

4695 - Effect.

The Environmental Health Division shall accept reports required by Title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 7583 et seq., from only those persons who possess a valid current certificate of competence.

4696 - Renewal.

A certificate of competence may be renewed for an additional two year period at any time in the last quarter of the last year of the current period for which it was issued. The application for a renewal shall be made and processed in the same manner, and shall be

subject to the same fee and examination requirements, as an application for an original certificate. In addition, the applicant must show proof that within the previous two years the applicant has attended and passed a backflow prevention refresher course approved by the Environmental Health Division Director.

4697 - Revocation.

Any person possessing a certificate of competence who violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions of Title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 7583 et seq., or who willfully falsifies inspection reports submitted to the Environmental Health Division, shall, in addition to the penalties otherwise prescribed in this Ordinance Code, have such certificate immediately revoked and shall not be considered for recertification for a period of two years.

4698 - Reports.

All reports of tests of backflow prevention devices required by law shall be filed with the Environmental Health Division, in a manner specified by the Division, and within twenty (20) days of the test date.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23 day of February, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Bennett, Parks, Foy  
and Zaragoza

NOES: none

ABSENT: Long

Linda Parks  
CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

MICHAEL POWERS  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura, State of California



By Lou Harris  
Deputy Clerk of the Board