

ORDINANCE

Code Section 24-20

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CONNECTION TO THE CITY WATER SYSTEM, PROHIBITING UNLAWFUL USE OF WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES, PROHIBITING CERTAIN OTHER UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH:

It is ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alamo, Georgia as follows:

SECTION I. CONNECTION TO CITY WATER SYSTEM.

Each dwelling house and each business establishment in the City of Alamo shall have one connected water meter for each connection to the city water system. Multiple locations shall not be served by one meter, except that this shall not apply to apartment units served by one master meter for all units by agreement with the City.

SECTION II. UNLAWFUL USE OF WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to use any of the City of Alamo water or sewer utilities without first establishing an account with the City and being an approved customer of the City, unless otherwise authorized by the City. Use of water or sewer utilities on public property for special events such as public celebrations, car washes for student or church fund raising or other similar activities shall require prior approval by the City.

B. Except as provided in Section I hereof, it shall be unlawful for any person or entity to have multiple locations, either commercial or residential, served by one (1) water meter.

C. It shall be unlawful for any person or entity to connect to the City water system in any manner that would provide water from one dwelling house or business establishment to another dwelling house or business establishment.

D. It shall be unlawful for any person to damage or bypass a water meter or use any device to prevent the water meter from properly registering the quantity of water used.

SECTION III. UNLAWFUL USE OF FIRE HYDRANTS.

A. Except as set forth in paragraph B of this section, it shall be unlawful for any person other than designated employees of the City of Alamo or members of the City and County fire departments to use water from fire hydrants of the City of Alamo for

any purpose other than fighting fires.

B. City of Alamo employees shall be authorized to assist occasional customers to fill large bulk water tanks from hydrants for agricultural or chemical applications or other similar uses. Such authorized use shall be performed by designated City employees at one of the hydrant locations designated by the City, and the customer shall pay for such water at rates prescribed by the City. (The designated locations shall be those that do not affect water usage by other customers of the City.)

SECTION IV. PENALTY.

A violation of this ordinance shall be a misdemeanor, and any person convicted of such violation shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 and/or imprisonment for up to six (6) months. This ordinance shall be cumulative to the provisions of O.C.G.A § 16-7-25.

SECTION V. REPEAL.

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all other ordinances which may govern the subject matter hereof except to the extent that such ordinances or parts of ordinances are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance. To the extent of any such conflict, such prior ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION III. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after the 15 day of June, 2020.

Approved and adopted this 15 day of June, 2020.

Attest:

Maria Chillo
CITY CLERK

Pamela B. Lee SEAL
MAYOR or MAYOR PRO TEMPORE