

ORDINANCE NO. 13,635

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, by repealing Section 8-196, thereof and enacting a new Section 8-196, all relating to backwater valves.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines,

Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, be and is hereby amended by repealing Section 8-196 thereof and enacting a new Section 8-196, all relating backwater valves, as follows:

**8-196. BACKWATER VALVES--WHEN REQUIRED; TYPE.**

(a) In areas of the city that have been determined to experience sanitary sewer back-ups by the city engineer, drainage piping serving fixtures which have flood level rims located below the elevation of the next upstream manhole cover of the public sewer serving such drainage piping shall be protected from backflow of sewage by installing an approved type backwater valve. Fixtures above such elevation shall not discharge through a required backwater valve.

(b) Backwater valves required by this section shall consist of manually operated valves. In addition, approved valves which are automatic in operation as described in Section 209 may also be used but are not required. NOTE: In existing structures where the installation of backwater valves are desired, but not required, these provisions shall not apply.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

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