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Purpose:

To establish a policy for the use of a rain sensor device installed on landscape irrigation systems within _____________ that conforms with applicable Minnesota State Statute 103G.298 and Federal Water Conservation Standards.

Scope:

All automatically operated landscape irrigation systems shall have furnished and installed technology that inhibits or interrupts operation of the irrigation system during periods of sufficient moisture.

Rain Sensor:

All newly installed irrigation systems (commercial or residential) will be required to have rain sensors.

Irrigation Systems:

All newly installed irrigation systems connected to the municipal water system, whether, aboveground or underground, shall require a permit for connection and shall be installed in accordance with the Plumbing Code of the Minnesota State Statues, Chapter 4715. All plumbing material, and installation shall comply with Building Code, Section 326.37.

Back Flow Prevention:

A City approved back flow prevention device shall be installed (commercial or residential) as part of the irrigation system. This device shall be installed a minimum of 12” higher than the highest sprinkler head.

Effective date of policy:

This policy shall be effective as of _____________.

Modifications of this policy shall be effective on the date said modifications are approved by city Council.