

AN ORDINANCE **97250**

**AMENDING CHAPTER 16 LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS OF THE CITY CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE ENTITLED ARTICLE XV IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS; AND AMENDING THE BUDGET BY CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL CITY PLUMBING INSPECTOR POSITIONS AND CREATING NEW FEES; PROVIDING A PENALTY; DIRECTING PUBLICATION; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN BOBBY PEREZ, DISTRICT 1.**

\* \* \* \* \*

**WHEREAS**, City Council desires to promote and protect the health and general welfare of the City by protecting the city's water sources by ensuring the proper installation of irrigation systems and backflow prevention devices; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council also desires to protect consumers from the installation of faulty or inferior irrigation systems; **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Code of San Antonio, Texas is hereby amended by adding the language that is underlined (added) and deleting the language that is stricken (~~deleted~~) to the existing text as set forth in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 16 of the City Code of the City of San Antonio, Texas is amended by adding a new Article XV. as follows:

**ARTICLE XV. IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS**

**Section 16-411. Definitions**

“Irrigation Contractor” means a licensed irrigator under Chapter 34 of the Texas Water Code.

“Irrigation System” means any in ground irrigation system of lawn, shrubbery, and other vegetation from any water source including the water supply piping, valves and sprinkler heads or other irrigation outlets but does not include the back flow prevention device or the final connection of the irrigation system to the back flow prevention device. Irrigation System does not include an irrigation system used primarily for agricultural purposes.

“Installation” or “Install” means fabrication of an irrigation system using components that include piping, fittings, valves, sprinkler heads and pumps; replacement, repair, alteration or maintenance of a lawn sprinkler system component; or lawn sprinkler system site preparation including digging, trenching, Vibratory Flow operation, and final grading.

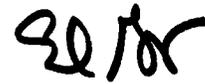
ineffective, the remainder shall, nevertheless, stand as effective and as valid as if it had been enacted and ordained without the portion held to be unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective.

**SECTION 11.** The City Clerk is directed to publish public notice of this Ordinance in accordance with the State Law.

**SECTION 12.** The publishers of the City Code of the City of San Antonio, Texas are authorized to amend and format said Code to reflect the changes adopted herein.

**SECTION 13.** This ordinance shall be effective on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2003.

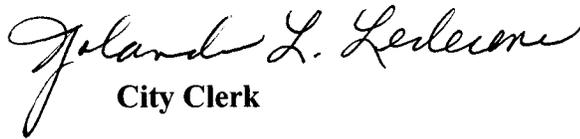
**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2003.



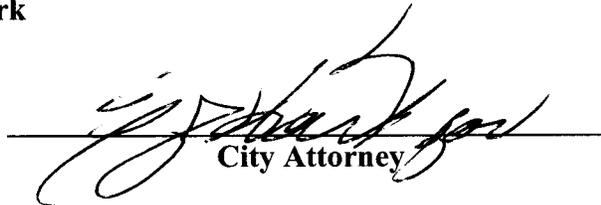
M A Y O R

**EDWARD D. GARZA**

**ATTEST:**

  
City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
City Attorney