

CITY OF GEORGETOWN ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-145

An ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN,

VERMILION COUNTY, ILLINOIS,

AMENDING TITLE 13: WATER AND SEWERS

ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE

CITY OF GEORGETOWN

1st DAY OF JULY 2024

Published in pamphlet form by authority of the City Council of the City of Georgetown, Vermilion County, Illinois this 1ST day of JULY 2024.

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF VERMILION

CERTIFICATE

I, <u>Jacqueline Wilson</u>, certify that I am duly appointed and acting municipal clerk of the City of Georgetown, Vermilion County, Illinois.

I further certify that on <u>July 1, 2024</u>, the corporate authorities of the City of Georgetown passed and approved Ordinance No. <u>2024-145</u>, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 13: WATER AND SEWERS

The pamphlet form of Revised Ordinance No. <u>2024-145</u> including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance is posted on the municipal website at *georgetownil.net* commencing on July 1, 2024. Copies of such Ordinance are also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Georgetown, Illinois, this 1st day of July 2024.

Jaequeline Wilson, City Clerk

City of Georgetown, Illinois Ordinance No. 2024-145

An Ordinance Amending Title 13: Water and Sewers

WHEREAS the City of Georgetown, Illinois, a municipal corporation, acting through its corporate authorities, maintains the water and sewer systems for purposes of preserving the value of property and the safety of the residents living within the corporate jurisdiction of the City and preserving the peace, good order, and comfort, convenience, and welfare of the inhabitants of the City; and

WHEREAS the City of Georgetown, in order to maintain and operate its water and sewer systems, has the authority to establish rules prohibiting tampering, misuse and damage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Georgetown, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. This ordinance amends Title 13 by adding Chapter 13.35 - METER TAMPERING. To the extent that the provisions of Title 13 or any portion thereof are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, the same are hereby repealed.

- Section 2. Chapter 13.35 METER TAMPERING is hereby added.
- **Section 3.** Section 13.35.010 Acts Prohibited is hereby added.
- **Section 4**. Subsection 13.35.010(A) is hereby added, as follows:
- "A. No person shall tamper with, adjust, damage, or in any manner interfere with the components or operation of the water system owned by the City of Georgetown."
- **Section 5**. Subsection 13.35.010(B) is hereby added, as follows:
- "B. No person, other than a duly-authorized representative of the City of Georgetown, shall open a service shutoff valve."

Section 6. Subsection 13.35.020 is hereby added, as follows:

"13.35.020. The penalty for violation of the provisions of this Chapter 13.35 shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for cut locks or improperly turned on water, and two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for broken meters or shut off valves, plus all costs and expenses incurred by the City for repairs, plus any hearing costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the City in enforcing these provisions. The total penalty must be paid in full by the tenant or owner of the property before water service shall be restored."

Section 7. The City Clerk is empowered to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately or as soon thereafter as allowed by law.

Section 9. This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, by a majority of the members of the City Council of the City of Georgetown, Illinois, at a regular meeting of the Council on the day of Tuly , 2024

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Absent:

SO PASSED AND APPROVED this 18t day of The

Darin Readnour, Mayor

Jaqueline Wilson, City

ATTEST: