

APPEAL DECISION

TO: Kevin Autman, Service Manager for Industrial Water Treatment

FROM: Jose G. Roig, Building Official

DATE: November 2, 2017

SUBJECT: **Response to appeal of staff's decision – Use of injection of chemicals into the potable water system.**

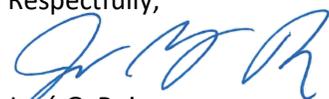
Mr. Autman,

In response to your appeal to the Building Official related to the installation of your domestic water treatment, conducted on October 26th, 2017 at 2:00 pm, I have decided to deny your appeal based on the fact the your system does not comply with the adopted plumbing code for the City of Austin. The installation of this system is in direct conflict with these sections of the code:

- **602.2 Cross-Contamination.** No person shall make a connection or allow one to exist between pipes or conduits carrying domestic water supplied by a public or private building supply system, and pipes, conduits, or fixtures containing or carrying water from any other source or containing or carrying water that has been used for a purpose whatsoever, or piping carrying chemicals, liquids, gases, or substances whatsoever, unless there is provided a backflow prevention device approved for the potential hazard and maintained in accordance with this code. Each point of use shall be separately protected where potential cross-contamination of individual units exists.
- **602.3 Backflow Prevention.** No plumbing fixture, device, or construction shall be installed or maintained, or shall be connected to a domestic water supply, where such installation or connection provides a possibility of polluting such water supply or cross-connection between a distributing system of water for drinking and domestic purposes and water that becomes contaminated by such plumbing fixture, device, or construction unless there is provided a backflow prevention device approved for the potential hazard.

This decision is appealable to the Mechanical, Plumbing and Solar Board. If you decide to appeal this decision, please get in contact with Julie Kirby via email at Julie.kirby@austintexas.gov or by phone at 512-974-2417 to initiate and schedule the appeal.

Respectfully,



José G. Roig
Building Official