

*Ordinance 2004-02*

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE INTRODUCTION OF FLUORIDE INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY OF PERRYVILLE, ARKANSAS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF FLUORIDATION.**

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of scientific, medical and dental opinion that the presence of fluoride in drinking water is a deterrent to tooth decay; and

WHEREAS, the supply of an adequate concentration of such chemicals is not found in the water supply of water distributed to the customers of Perryville, Arkansas, and

WHEREAS, fluoridation of drinking water has been endorsed by the Arkansas State Dental Association, Central District (AR) Dental Society, Arkansas State Medical Association, American Dental Association, American Medical Association, American Osteopathic Association, American Pharmaceutical Association, Arkansas Department of Health, American Water Works Association, United States Public Health Service, American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations and various local and national civic groups and organizations; and

WHEREAS, after the initial reading of this Ordinance at length in the presence of the City Council of Perryville, Arkansas, a public forum having been held by the Council, at which forum all persons interested in support of, or opposition to, said Ordinance have been given the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of these hearings the City Council finds that the fluoridation of the public water supply of Perryville, Arkansas would be a deterrent to tooth decay, and can be introduced into the drinking water supply of Perryville, Arkansas as a measure to promote public health and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council as follows:

Section 1. The Water Department of Perryville, Arkansas is hereby authorized and directed to provide the means and to proceed with the introduction of the fluoride ion into the public drinking water supply of Perryville, Arkansas in such quantities as are required to provide throughout the pipe distribution system a fluoride concentration of approximately one part fluoride per million parts of water.

Section 2. The Water Department of Perryville, Arkansas shall keep an accurate record of the amount of fluoride bearing chemical applied to the quantities of water treated, and cause such analytical tests to be made for fluoride (in terms of the element F) in the untreated and treated water as it shall be directed to do by the Arkansas Department of Health.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Date Passed May 13, 2004

Date Approved May 13, 2004

Kenneth Brandon  
Mayor

Attested: Joel D. Wolf  
City Clerk

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