

ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 1371

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND FRIDLEY CITY CODE SECTION 402.15 OF CHAPTER 402 TO ADMINISTER AND REGULATE WATER, STORM WATER AND SANITARY SEWER IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

The Fridley City Council hereby finds after review, examination and recommendation of staff that existing Chapter 402 Water and Sewer Administration, Section 402.15 Water Meter be hereby revised as follows:

SECTION 1: That existing Chapter 402 WATER, STORM WATER, AND SANITARY SEWER ADMINISTRATION be hereby revised as follows:

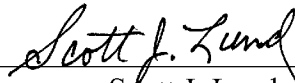
402.15. WATER METER

1. Before any water conveyed through the municipal water system shall be used or utilized on the land or premises of any person, firm or corporation, there shall first be installed a water meter that will accurately measure the water consumed on the premises, except and unless such installation shall be exempted by the City. The applicant for water service shall pay an amount to the City at the time of application for permit as set forth above, an amount determined by the City to be sufficient to cover the cost of the meter. (Ref. 1191)
2. At such time as there is a change of meter, customer, or property ownership for existing accounts customers, ~~all new customers to the system~~ will be required to pay a one-time administrative set-up charge at the rate set annually by an administrative policy. (Ref. 1191)
 - A. ~~Those persons, firms or corporations who paid to purchase a meter prior to the effective date of this ordinance may have the purchase price returned upon satisfactory proof of transfer of title and possession of said premises. The purchase price shall be first deducted from the bill if there are unpaid bills or charges.~~ require a meter of 1 1/2" diameter or larger shall pay the full cost of the meter and its installation or replacement when such installation or replacement is requested by the customer or by the City.
 - B. ~~The liability of the City for return of said purchase funds however shall be limited to the funds as are available in the water fund and shall not constitute a general obligation to the City.~~ The City may provide a reasonable payment schedule for the charges and fees associated with Section 402.15.2.A. by an administrative policy.
3. All water meters installed under the provisions of this Chapter shall remain the property of the City of Fridley. The meters shall be repaired from time to time as is necessary to ensure accurate measuring of the flow of water. The City shall pay for the cost of repairs except when a meter has been damaged due to negligence on the part of persons other than employees of the Water Department, or applicable repairs or replacements pursuant to Section 402.15.2.A. The owner, occupant or user of the premises or such other person desiring use of the water shall reimburse the Water Department for the expense of repairing any such damaged meter. Upon failure to

reimburse the Water Department within a reasonable time and upon demand therefore, the water service and supply to said premises may be shut off or discontinued as determined to be in the best interest of the City. (Ref 1191)

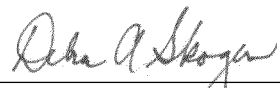
- A. Right of entrance. Every person owning improved real estate that has had a water meter installed shall allow duly authorized employees of the city or a designated representative of the City, bearing proper credentials and identification, to enter all properties for the purpose of reading, repairing, or replacing the meter, or for the purpose of installing an automated meter reading device (AMR).

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIDLEY THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2019.



Scott J. Lund, Mayor

ATTEST:



Debra A. Skogen, City Clerk

First Reading: June 10, 2019
Second Reading: June 24, 2019
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