

CHAPTER 91

WATER METERS

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91.01 PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to encourage the conservation of water and facilitate the equitable distribution of charges for water service among customers.

91.02 WATER USE METERED. All water furnished customers shall be measured through meters furnished by the City.

91.03 FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS - EXCEPTION. Fire sprinkler systems may be connected to water mains by direct connection without meters under the direct supervision of the Superintendent. No open connection can be incorporated in the system, and there shall be no valves except a main control valve at the entrance to the building which must be sealed open.

91.04 LOCATION OF METERS. All meters shall be so located that they are easily accessible to meter readers and repairmen and protected from freezing.

91.05 METER SETTING. The property owner shall provide all necessary piping and fittings for proper setting of the meter including a valve on the discharge side of the meter. Meter pits shall not be allowed.

91.06 METER COSTS. The full cost of any meter larger than that required for a single-family residence shall be paid to the City by the property owner or customer prior to the installation of any such meter.

91.07 METER REPAIRS. Whenever a water meter is found to be out of order the Superintendent shall have it repaired. If it is found that damage to the meter has occurred due to the carelessness or negligence of the customer or property owner, then the property owner shall be liable for the cost of repairs.

91.08 RIGHT OF ENTRY. The Superintendent shall be permitted to enter the premises of any customer at any reasonable time to read, remove, or change a meter.

91.09 REMOVAL OF METER AT REQUEST OF PROPERTY OWNER. Water meters may be removed at the City's option upon the request of the owner of the property served provided:

1. The owner shall pay in advance of removal the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for such removal, and shall pay the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) in advance of reinstallation for the reinstallation of the meter;
2. All billings, including a final billing to the date of removal for water and sewer services have been paid; and

3. The property is served by a fully adequate and operational curb valve sufficient to stop the flow of water to the property. If the said valve is inadequate, the property owner shall repair or replace the curb valve to the City's specifications at the owner's expense.