

ORDINANCE NO.: 2006-109

Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec. 23-145, Installation of water meters and cross connection control devices

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council this 16th day of May, 2007, that the 1998 Code of Ordinances of The City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 23, Utilities and Engineering, Article V, Water and Sewer Rates, Sec. 23-145, Installation of water meters and cross connection control devices, is amended as follows:

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Sec. 23-145. Installation of water meters and cross connection control devices.

(a) Water meters.

(1) Charges for water meter installation shall be:

Meter Size (inches)	Installed by City Forces	Developer/Owner Installed
3/4	\$2,512.00	\$ 1,062.00
1	\$3,468.00	\$ 2,018.00
1 1/2	\$4,350.00	\$ 2,900.00
2	\$8,490.00	\$ 7,040.00
4	\$19,440.00	\$17,990.00
6	\$26,400.00	\$24,950.00
8	\$42,000.00	\$40,550.00
10	\$60,000.00	\$58,550.00

(2) Water meter boxes for meters four inches and larger shall be site-constructed to city specifications by the owner's contractor at the owner's expense.

(3) Separate meters for exterior surface irrigation without sewer service charges may be permitted for any property served by regular potable water service.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person to use water through a water meter installed for irrigation for any purpose other than outside surface irrigation. Violation of this subsection shall result in immediate summary forfeiture of the irrigation meter and tap, in addition to penalties provided by this Code.

(5) The water meter installation fees for temporary construction meters shall be those specified in this section for permanent service of the same size. When the temporary construction meter is adequate to provide the permanent service desired, it may be converted to permanent service without payment of additional meter fees upon approval of the director of utilities and engineering. Such approval shall not be withheld when all other city requirements have been met.

(b) Cross connection control devices.

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(1) Dual checkvalves one inch in size and under shall be purchased and installed by the city water distribution division, the cost of which is included in the meter installation fee.


(2) Cross connection devices over one inch in size shall be purchased and installed by the owner.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to use water through a meter provided by the city without an appropriate approved cross connection control device being in place. Persons in violation of this subsection will be given 30 days' written notice to have an approved backflow device installed, or water service will be discontinued. In those cases in which an approved backflow device has not been installed within the 30 days, water service will be discontinued and the water meter removed. No further water service will be provided until such time as an approved backflow device has been installed and an additional water meter installation fee has been paid.

This ordinance is effective as of final reading.

Requested by:


Utilities and Engineering


MAYOR

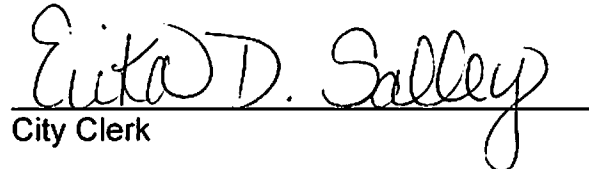
Approved by:


City Manager

Approved as to form:


Interim City Attorney

ATTEST:


City Clerk

Introduced: 3/21/2007

Final Reading: 5/16/2007