

CHAPTER 90

WATER SERVICE SYSTEM

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90.01 BOARD OF TRUSTEES. The management and control of the City's Water Utility are the responsibility of the Utility Board of Trustees established and operated as described in Chapter 24 of this Code of Ordinances.

90.02 REGULATIONS. The rules, regulations and rates adopted by the Trustees for governing of the water system shall be considered a part of the contract of the City with every person supplied with water through the waterworks system. Every person receiving water shall be held thereby to express his or her assent to be bound by this contract. When any regulations are violated, the water supply to the premises of the person may, at the discretion of the Trustees, be shut off from the building or place of that violation and shall not be restored except upon compliance with the regulations violated, and upon such terms as the Trustees shall fix.

90.03 WELLS. No person shall drill or sink a well for the production of water within the corporate limits of the City or within two (2) miles of the corporate limits following platting of property, unless a determination has been first secured from the Board of Trustees as well as appropriate State and County authorities that:

1. The point of water use is greater than three hundred feet (300') from an accessible distribution water main owned and controlled by the City.
2. The proposed private well is located outside the influence of an existing or proposed City owned well.
3. The proposed private well is needed due to extraordinary circumstances of the location of the property within the City which, if private ground water sources were not used, would work an extraordinary hardship on the property.
4. The Trustees may require owners of existing private wells to connect to a City owned distribution water main in accordance with the provisions of this section if the above conditions are not satisfied. Such connection shall be completed within ninety (90) calendar days after

official notice to do so, and the existing private well(s) shall be abandoned as required by state law.

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90.04 LIEN FOR NONPAYMENT. The owner of the premises served and any lessee or tenant thereof shall be jointly and severally liable for water service charges to the premises. Water service charges remaining unpaid and delinquent shall constitute a lien upon the premises served and shall be certified to the County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84)

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