

**SAMPLE -  
Ordinance Providing for Water Utility Availability Charge (WAC)**

The City Council for the City of \_\_\_\_\_, Minnesota ordains as follows:

**Section 1. Amendment**

Ordinance \_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_, "Charges for Service Connections," shall be amended by enacting a new subdivision 5 to read as follows:

Subd. 5 Water Utility Availability Charge (WAC). The owner of any property desiring to connect such property to an existing City water main, where such property has not previously been connected to said main and has not been previously assessed for the cost of the main, may do so on the approval of the City and upon paying a water utility availability charge (WAC). The WAC shall be the proportionate cost of construction, maintenance, and use of the main in question. Determination of the amount of such proportionate cost shall be made by the City upon the same basis as assessments then being charged against comparable benefited properties for water mains in the City. The water utility availability charge may be made payable in equal installments spread at not greater than annual intervals for the period of years that assessments for similar sewer or water mains are then being spread over in the City, and at an interest rate equal to interest rates then being charged for such assessments.

**Section 2. Effective Date**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with law. Adopted by the City Council for the City of \_\_\_\_\_, Minnesota on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.