

**WATER/ SEWER SERVICE & EQUIPMENT
INSTALLATION POLICY
RESOLUTION 06-013**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Rule 7560, promoted by the Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety (MnOPS), and adopted by the State Office of Administration in June 2005, calls for continuing efforts to increase public safety, and;

WHEREAS, MN Rule 7560 imposes new obligations on the City of _____ when responding to requests or locates from Gopher State One Call (GSOC) to locate or provide information on the location of a sewer and water lateral and/or to notify the excavator if no information exists, for those service laterals installed before January 1, 2006, and;

WHEREAS, MN Rule 7560 imposes new obligations on the City of _____ when responding to requests or locates from GSOC for those service laterals installed after December 31, 2005, specifically:

- Maintain a map, diagram or drawing regarding the location of underground facilities within a public right-of-way.
- Install a locating wire or have an equally effective means of marking the location of each nonconductive underground facility within a public right-of-way.
- Begin locating the portion of the service lateral within the public right-of-way, and;

WHEREAS, the City of _____ must develop a system to manage the installation of facilities in the right-of-way and the City has the right to require installers to provide information on new service laterals installed and connected to the City's water and sewer facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following shall be the minimum requirement when installing water/sewer service lines or modifying existing property water/sewer systems in the City of _____, with the property owner being liable for their contractor adhering to these requirements:

1. A City of _____ application for service form must be completed prior to any water/sewer service installation, either by the contractor or the property owner. Precise location coordinates and/or as-built drawings will be provided to the City by the contractor.
2. Existing Sewer and Water Ordinance regulations will apply.
3. The contractor will furnish and install a coated, solid copper tracer wire on all non-conductive water/sewer service lines in the trench alongside the pipe. Wire color will be blue for water and green for sewer.

4. The tracer wire must be twelve gauge minimum and run continuously without splices for the full length of the service line, from the building to water or sewer main. If splicing is necessary, a direct bury splice kit is required.
5. The tracer wire shall daylight at the point of entry at the foundation of the building through PVC conduit and a blank box as a future contact point to locate the service.
6. Tracer wire will be installed on all new water main installations in the street/roadway and will come to the surface at every fire hydrant for termination.
7. Depending on circumstances of a specific installation, the Public Works Department may also require that tracer wire be run to curb boxes, clean-outs, or fire hydrants.

Adopted by the _____ City Council this _____ day of _____, 2006

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk