

Sample Policy on Laying Water Main Ordinance

Water main and associated service lines shall be laid by petition of property owners and the total cost assessed to the property owners involved.

Any time that a water main is taken out of service and/or the pressure is released from that water main, the Public Utilities office must be notified. Only a licensed plumbing contractor, in conjunction with personnel from the Public Utilities staff will be allowed to work on a water main or service line that is property of the City of _____. If it is necessary to cut into any water main or service line belonging to the Utilities, a member of the utilities staff must be present. Before the water main is put back into service, it must be disinfected, flushed and tested by an independent, certified laboratory. The written results of the bacteria test must be on file at the City of _____ office before the water line is put into service.

In the event that it is necessary to flush any new water service or main beyond the initial flush to remove disinfectant used at installation, the cost of that water and time for Utility personnel will be the responsibility of the owner or contractor. The responsible party will be determined before further flushing or assistance from Utility personnel is initiated.

Any new additions or extensions to the water system of the City of _____ are also covered by the regulations described in the above paragraph.