

The City of Grandin shall have the right to enter any premises to check the water meters and test said meters. The City of Grandin shall maintain all meters after said meters are purchased by the landowners.

SECTION V: If the City of Grandin's utility department property on customer's premises has been interfered with or if evidence is found that the meters or other appurtenances on customer's premises have been tampered with, customer shall be required to bear all costs incurred by the City of Grandin for investigation of such tampering and for installation of necessary protective equipment. If the tampering has resulted in improper measurement of service, the customer shall be required to pay for such service as the City of Grandin may reasonably estimate, from available information, to have been used but not registered by City's meters. If the investigation by the City shows that customer is responsible for the tampering, the City may discontinue water and/or electric service and remove its equipment from customer's premises on reasonable notice of 5 days.

SECTION VI: Nothing herein shall prevent the City of Grandin from seeking criminal prosecution should a customer intentionally obtain City of Grandin utility services by any means to avoid payment for said services.

SECTION VII: A landowner is responsible for the repair of any water line or sewer line breaks occurring between the water mains and sewer mains and his or her house or building.

SECTION VIII: A landowner is responsible for all delinquent billings incurred by his or her tenants.

SECTION IX: All utility bills are due and payable on the 15th day of each month. If a utility bill is not paid by the 30th day of each month, the City Auditor shall send a shut-off notice to the utility customer. Any utility service of a utility customer shall be shut-off if the billing is 60 days old. A service charge of 10% per month shall be charged on each delinquent utility bill.

SECTION X: All utility customers shall be charged a minimum continuing hook-up charge of \$10.00 per month. This minimum continuing hook-up charge is to cover the maintenance and up-keep costs of the sewer and water systems. There will be a monthly gallonage charge for actual usage in addition to this minimum continuing hook-up charge.

Dated: 1/9/89

David Blaser

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Grandin City Commission

ORDINANCE NO. 100

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING FOR THE CITY OF GRANDIN UTILITIES PROCEDURES FOR METER READING, DISCONNECTION AND RECONNECTION OF SERVICE ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURITY DEPOSITS, SEALING OF METERS, DISCONTINUING SERVICES FOR REASONS SPECIFIED HEREIN, ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING A MANNER OF BILLING FOR SERVICES USED BY NOT REPORTED, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED AND CONFLICTING WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF GRANDIN, NORTH DAKOTA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: Any person wishing to temporarily discontinue utility service shall contact the City Auditor and the City Auditor shall arrange to have the service or services disconnected by a City employee or agent of the City. There shall be no charge for the disconnection of utility services. Upon requesting reconnection of services, a fee of \$100.00 shall be paid prior to the reconnection of water service and \$100.00 shall be paid prior to the reconnection of sewer service. Said \$100.00 sewer and \$100.00 water reconnection fees shall not apply to new accounts where services are presently being furnished to the person vacating the premises and the new resident will continue to receive the same services as the vacating resident.

SECTION II: Any person requesting water service on a lot where there is no prior such service shall pay a hook-up fee of \$500.00. Any person requesting sewer service on a lot where there is no prior such service shall pay a hook-up fee of \$500.00. Any person requesting a second water or sewer service hook-up on the same lot shall pay a hook-up fee of \$500.00.

SECTION III: Any person requesting water service shall, prior to receiving such service, pay a water meter deposit of \$35.00. Whenever the premises are sold, or water service thereto is discontinued at the request of the owner, the vendor or owner shall upon demand made by him be entitled to a refund of the deposit provided the meter is in satisfactory operating condition and no charges for water services to the premises are then delinquent.

SECTION IV: All water meters shall be installed in a workmanlike manner and in a convenient and accessible location for reading and inspection.

Meters shall at all times be sealed and the seals shall not be broken. Any seal which is broken shall be immediately reported to the City Auditor.

After installation of a meter, the customer shall not make any alterations or changes which will interfere with the repair, maintenance, reading or operation of the meter.