

PREAMBLE

Richfield's water and sewer system was construed by and for the benefit of residents of the City. However, the Mayor and City Council of Richfield like many other city governments understand that if it provides services for nearby non-residents under a closely controlled policy, then it is possible to spread the cost of the system to the benefit of all. It is with this understanding and for this purpose that the Mayor and City Council of the City adopts this Non-resident Water and Sewer Policy for the City of Richfield.

RICHFIELD CITY ORDINANCE NO.150

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Richfield, Idaho.

The City of Richfield hereby adopts this ordinance as its Non-resident Water and Sewer Policy. Water and Sewer services and lines will be placed, connected, maintained, and serviced only as follows:

1. Applications for hookup, modification, and all other City sewer and water services shall be made and delivered to the City Clerk at least 15 days before the next regularly held council meeting.
2. On the first regular meeting that is held 15 days or more after the application was received by the Clerk, the council will consider the applications on a first come first served basis with consideration being given to need, compliance with the City's requirements and availability of water and capacity of the sewer system, and the ability of the City crew to handle the requests. This policy shall not be construed to make it a right for non-resident applicants to hook up to water and sewer services. However, all decisions will be on practical basis without regard to personality or station of the applicant. No decision will take in to account either race, religion, age, or sex of the applicant.
3. The application fee and bond requirements will be established by the Council and may be changed from time to time as the Council feels that changes are necessary.
4. All approved applicants must bear the total cost of bringing their service lines to the city property line at a point designated by the City Engineer and or City Overseer.
5. Water and sewer lines that lie outside the City boundary will not be abandoned by the owner of said lines until notified in writing by the City Engineer and or City Overseer, and then abandonment will be on the terms as set out in the notification.

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6. If, when providing the water and sewer services, there is cause of the City to upgrade its lines in size or some other respect, said upgrade or improvements will be at the expense of the applicant for whom the upgrade was made necessary.
7. Before making any connection or alteration outside the City limits after the original services, the applicant must have prior approval of the City Council in writing. All service changes, connections, breaks, hookups, alterations, and extensions must be reported to the City Engineer and or City Overseer, prior to the doing of the action reported.
8. Specific written approval must be applied for and received from the City before an extension or hookup to an existing line outside the City.
9. The City may require the posting of a reasonable bond or surety to save it from financial damage in any given case as determined by the Council.
10. All water and sewer lines inside the City and on public property are and shall remain the property of the City.
11. By applying for water and sewer services the applicant is agreeing that any material violation of the provisions of this ordinance may, at the City Council's option, result in cessation of service, and levying of costs that the city incurs in correcting the problem.

Adopted this Date January 14, 1991.

Charles E. Buttsone

Mayor

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Clerk