

BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. 729

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 705.100 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KING CITY, MISSOURI REGARDING DISCONTINUANCE OF WATER SERVICE FURNISHED BY THE CITY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF KING CITY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Section 705.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 705.100: DISCONTINUANCE OF WATER SERVICE

- A. Water service will be discontinued to any water user or property on account of temporary vacancy of such property upon written request of the water user, without in any way affecting the agreement in force and upon payment of all charges due as provided in the rules and regulations of the City.
- B. In the event that water service is discontinued for any reason other than the temporary vacancy of the property, or in the event that it is discontinued and another source of water supply is used for the property, then reconnection shall be made only in the event that the minimum bill for the period of disconnection shall be paid by the water user or City of the property. In addition, all previously unpaid bills, plus six percent (6%) interest thereon, shall be paid before reconnection shall be allowed for such water user or property.
- C. In the event that an applicant for water services has purchased or otherwise acquired the property and holds title thereto and the previous landowner had discontinued water service other than because of the temporary vacancy thereof, said applicant shall not be required to pay the above reconnection charges as a result of the conduct or actions of the previous landowner but shall be required to pay only a connection charge of fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- D. In the case of a water user who had discontinued from the system for a reason other than the vacancy of the property, or in the case of a landowner of such property desiring to restore service, then such water user or landowner shall pay, in addition to the charges above set forth, a reconnection charge of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for reconnecting said property to the system of the City.
- E. Except in the case of failure of the water user to pay the bill owed the City for water service as set forth in these rules and regulations, the City will not discontinue the service of any water user for violation of any rule or regulation of the City without written notice of at least two (2) days, mailed to such customer at his/her address as shown upon the City's records, or personally delivered to the water user or a member of the household advising the water user what rule has been violated for which service will be discontinued if the violation is permitted to continue. Provided

however, that where misrepresentation of use of water is detected, or where the City's regulating or measuring equipment has been tampered with, or where a dangerous condition is found to exist on the water user's premises, service may be shut off without notice in advance. Subject to the foregoing provisions, service rendered under any application, contract or agreement may be discontinued by the City for any of the following reasons:


1. For willful or indifferent waste of water due to any cause.
 2. For failure to protect from injury or damage the meter and connections or for failure to protect and maintain the service pipe or fixtures on the property of the water user (or the property occupied by the water user) in a condition satisfactory to the City.
 3. For molesting or tampering by the water user, or others with the knowledge of the water user, with any meter, connections, service pipe, curb cock, seal, valve or any other appliance of the City's controlling or regulating the water user's water supply.
 4. For failure to provide the City's employees free and reasonable access to the property supplied or for obstructing the way of ingress to the meter or other appliances controlling or regulating the water user's water supply.
 5. For non-payment of any account for water supplied, for water service, or for meter or service maintenance, or for any other fee or charge accruing under these rules and regulations, the rate schedule of the City.
 6. In case of vacancy of the premises.
 7. For violation of any rules and regulations of the City.
 8. For any practice or act prohibited by the Missouri Division of Health.
 9. For failure to allow any City's employee, officer, agent or representative the right to inspect the water user's premises for any purpose set forth in these rules and regulations.
- F. The discontinuance of the supply of water to a property for any reason shall not prevent the City from pursuing any lawful remedy by action at law or otherwise for the collection of monies due from the water user or property City.
- G. Water will not be turned on to any property unless there is at least one (1) adult person therein at such time to see that all water outlets in the premises are closed to prevent damage by escaping water.

H. Only an employee, officer or agent of the City may turn on water and all applicants and water users are expressly forbidden to do so. (Ord. No. 573 §12, 4-12-93)


Section 2: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Section 3: All other provisions of Chapter 705 not in conflict with this Ordinance remain in full force and effect.

THIS ORDINANCE was passed by the Board of Aldermen of the City of King City, Missouri, this 10th day of September, 2019.


Lorie Carlson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Denise Harris, City Clerk