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90.01 OPERATION BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES. The management and control of the City's Water System is vested in a Board of Trustees appointed by the Mayor.

90.02 RULES TO CONSTITUTE PART OF CONTRACTS. The rules, regulations, and rates, whether now established or hereafter adopted by the Board, for government of the Water System shall be considered a part of the contract of the City with every person supplied with water through the Water System, and every person receiving water shall be held thereby to express assent to be bound thereby. When any of such regulations are violated, the water supply to the premises of such person may, at the discretion of the Board, be cut off from the building or place of such violation and shall not be renewed except upon compliance with the regulations violated and upon such terms as the Board shall fix. The Board shall have the right to declare forfeited any payment or deposit made for water service by the person committing such violation.

90.03 INJURY TO UTILITY PROPERTY. It is unlawful to break, injure, mar, deface, interfere with or disturb any building, machinery, apparatus, fixture or attachment appurtenant to the Water System or any stop box, meter or other supply of service pipe or any part thereof, or deposit anything in any stop box or meter or to do any act tending to obstruct or impair the intended use of any of said property without permission of the Board of Trustees or its agents or as otherwise provided in this Code of Ordinances.

90.04 USE OF WATER METERS REQUIRED. It is unlawful for any person to bypass or attempt to bypass a City water meter or to consume City water for private purposes unless such water passes through a City water meter.

90.05 OPENING OF HYDRANTS RESTRICTED. It is unlawful for any person authorized to open any hydrant to delegate such authority to another or to let out or suffer another person to take wrenches or tools furnished to such person for the purpose of opening hydrants or to suffer the same to be taken from any tool house belonging to the Water System, except that members of the fire department in the performance of their duties are entitled to open such hydrants and to employ such tools as required.

90.06 PROCEDURE UPON ABANDONMENT OF SERVICE. When any water service is abandoned, it shall be shut off at corporation cock at the expense of the owner and shall not be reconnected or used without a permit from the Water System.

90.07 RIGHT OF ENTRY. The Superintendent or other officer or employees of the Water System shall be permitted at all reasonable hours to enter the premises or buildings of customers for the purpose of reading meters and to examine the water pipe and fixtures and the manner in which the water is used.

90.08 OBSTRUCTION OF EMPLOYEES PROHIBITED. It is unlawful for any person to willfully interfere with or obstruct any employees of the Water System in the discharge of their duties.

90.09 EXCAVATIONS. It is unlawful to make any excavation in any street or highway within six (6) feet of the existing water pipe while the ground is frozen or to dig up or uncover so as to expose to frost any water pipe without special permission in writing of the Board of Trustees.

90.10 CAPITAL AND MAINTENANCE CHARGE. All properties with building(s) located within 300 feet of a public water main, regardless of whether they are connected to the main, shall be subject to a minimum quarterly charge for the capital and maintenance costs of establishing and operating the public water system. The minimum water charge shall be set by the Waterworks Board of Trustees by resolution.

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