

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1473

SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING DOUGLAS COUNTY CODE TITLE 20, APPENDIX F
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BY ADDING LANGUAGE TO PROVIDE FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE MONTHLY
WATER BILL DUE TO WATER LEAKS

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DUE TO WATER LEAKS AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER PROPERLY
RELATED MATTERS**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Douglas, does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Title 20, Appendix F “Water Facilities, Section 20.F.070 (C) is amended with deleted language shown with a ~~strike through~~ and new language shown as **underlined and bolded.**

20.F.070 Basis of Billing

C. Customers are responsible for payment of all water recorded as having passed through a meter regardless of whether the water was put to the beneficial use, **except as follows:**

The Public Works Department will consider an adjustment to the monthly water bill as a direct result of water leaks on the customer’s side of the water meter or shut-off valve under the following conditions:

- 1. If a customer experiences a water leak on the customer’s side of the water meter or shut-off valve, the customer must, at the customer’s expense, employ a licensed plumbing contractor, landscaper, or general repairman to repair the water leak.**
- 2. To qualify for a billing adjustment, the customer must submit a “Request for Leak Credit” application available from the Department of Public Works. The customer must submit with the application a copy of the receipt for the leak repair.**
- 3. Upon delivery of the request for leak credit application, the Public Works Department may, at its discretion, adjust the current water bill to equal the monthly bill from the same billing period of the previous year. The cost of the leak repair is**

the homeowner's sole responsibility and will not be reimbursed. The water bill may only be adjusted for one billing period prior to the repair of the water leak.

4. Each customer account is eligible to receive one (1) billing adjustment during the calendar year for a water leak.
5. Water loss due to theft, vandalism, or construction damage is not covered under this section and is the responsibility of the customer.

Proposed and introduced on this 3rd day of Nov., 2016.

Proposed by Commissioner McDermid.

Adopted this 15th day of December, 2016.

Vote: Ayes: Commissioners Doug N. Johnson

Nancy McDermid

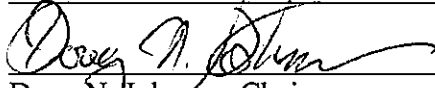
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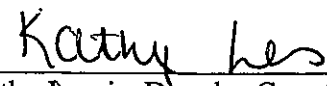
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Nays: Commissioners None

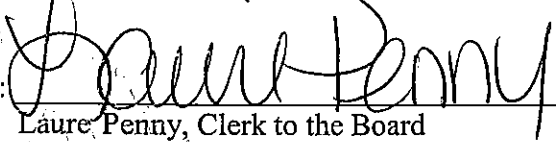
Absent: Commissioners None



Doug N. Johnson, Chairman
Douglas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:


Kathy Lewis, Douglas County Clerk

By: 

Laure Penny, Clerk to the Board

This Ordinance is effective on the 1st day of January, 2017