

ORDINANCE NO. 1405

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 7-37, APPLICATION FOR SERVICES; SECTION 7-41, ELECTRICAL SERVICES; SECTION 7-43, PAYMENT DATE FOR BILLS; SECTION 7-44, DISCONTINUANCE AND RECONNECTION OF SERVICE; AND A NEW SECTION TO BE KNOWN AS SECTION 7-51, SPECIAL SERVICES REGULATING THE CHARGE AND/OR USE OF CITY MATERIALS AND LABOR; OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Madison, South Dakota; That the Revised Ordinances of Madison, be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 7-37 APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

Any person or family desiring electricity from the City shall apply at the City Finance Office and the City Finance Office shall make an order upon the Electrical Superintendent directing him to furnish such service; provided that the person applying for electric service does not owe the City for any past electric bills. No person or family owing the City for past electricity bills will be furnished with electricity until all past electric bills owing the City are paid in full. A ten dollar (\$10.00) connection fee will be charged. The connecting fee will also be charged to present consumers re-establishing electrical service at a new location in the City of Madison.

The owner of rental house, apartment, or mobile home may request that the utility account automatically be placed in his/her name when the tenant closes the account. Such request shall be in writing. If the owner does not desire electrical service to the premises, when a tenant closes the account, the service will be disconnected without notice to the owner.

SECTION 7-41 ELECTRICAL SERVICE

All electrical service lines to newly constructed buildings and facilities shall be buried underground, unless specified permission to the contrary is granted by the Electrical Superintendent in writing. Electrical service facilities to consumers for new projects and developments are subject to review, approval, and authorization by the Electrical Superintendent and shall be furnished subject to the following terms, conditions, and costs:

- 1) Residential customers requesting a new electrical utility service and commercial and industrial customers requesting either a new or upgraded electrical utility service shall apply in writing at the Utilities Office and shall state the location of the desired service and the size and voltage of the requested service.
- 2) Residential customers upgrading an existing electrical utility service are exempt from this requirement and related charges and fees. If requested by the Electrical Superintendent, the applicant shall provide a copy of the building electrical system design to include copies of the electrical panel load design calculations and schedules.

- 3) When an application is approved by the City Electrical Superintendent, the applicant will be required to pay an installation fee and a meter fee to the Utilities Office in accordance with the following schedule.

UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL SERVICE INSTALLATION CHARGES

A. <u>Residential or Commercial Classifications (single phase only)</u>	
100 Amp – 200 Amp Service	\$125.00
400 Amps or Up	\$400.00

B. <u>Commercial or Industrial Classifications (All 3-phase)</u>	
200 Amp Service	\$650.00
300 Amp Service	\$650.00
400 Amp Service	\$650.00
500 Amp Service	\$725.00
600 Amp Service	\$800.00
700 Amp Service	\$875.00
800 Amp Service	\$950.00
900 Amp Service	\$1062.50
1000 Amp Service	\$1175.00
1100 Amp Service	\$1287.50
1200 Amp Service	\$1400.00
1300 Amp Service	\$1562.50
1400 Amp Service	\$1725.00
1500 Amp Service	\$1887.50
1600 Amp Service	\$2050.00
1700 Amp Service	\$2175.00
1800 Amp Service	\$2300.00
1900 Amp Service	\$2425.00
2000 Amp Service	\$2550.00
2500 Amp Service	\$2925.00
3000 Amp Service	\$3300.00
3500 Amp Service	\$3675.00
4000 Amp Service	\$4050.00

A. Meter Charge

1. Single Metered Service 200 Amps or Under

Single Phase	\$ 75.00
Three Phase	\$600.00

2. Single Metered Service Over 200 Amps

Single Phase (200 Amps or Over)	\$300.00
Three Phase	\$600.00

3. 3-Phase Services

All 3-phase services will be classified as either small commercial or large commercial regardless of the customer's consumption. There will be a minimum monthly charge of \$25.00 for any such service.

B. Special Weather Conditions

Any underground service installed between November 15th and March 15th shall also be subject to the seasonal surcharge fee. The seasonal surcharge fee shall be an additional 50% over the standard installation fee charges listed above. Service shall be installed at the discretion of the Electrical Superintendent subject to suitable weather conditions.

- 4) The City Electrical Department shall furnish and install electrical service to the City furnished transformer or the location to be determined by the City Electrical Superintendent after payment of the respective installation fee charge and meter fee charge.
- 5) The consumer shall furnish and install all necessary underground service cable from the City's transformer or other determined location to the consumer's point of service entrance. All related costs for this work shall be borne by the consumer. This service shall be maintained by the consumer at his/her expense. Further on-site voltage transformation, if required, shall be at the sole expense of the consumer.
- 6) In a situation which benefits the City of Madison (ex: upgrade project), a consumer may be provided underground service cable from the City's transformer or other determined location to the consumer's point of service entrance, all such cable will have a two year warranty. After such time, the consumer will assume ownership of the cable and all responsibilities that may incur.
- 7) If a new or upgraded electrical service is to be installed from an existing overhead transformer bank, the installation charges shall be calculated at 200% of the underground charges. Only service areas that are existing overhead may apply or reapply for overhead service.
- 8) The City Commission will hear and decide appeals arising from administrative interpretations of this ordinance. Appeals shall be presented in writing to the City Commission. The City Commission will act on appeals within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof.

SECTION 7-43 PAYMENT DATE FOR BILLS

A. Payment of electric bills rendered shall be due by the date as listed on the utility bill, but in no event shall be less than 10 days from mailing by the City Finance Office.

SECTION 7-44 DISCONTINUANCE AND RECONNECTION OF SERVICE

- A. Consumers who are delinquent on their electric bills, as defined by Section 7-43 will be immediately mailed a “notice of account delinquent”, which will state that the consumer will be given seven (7) days to make payment, and if full payment is not received at the end of seven (7) days, proceedings will be implemented to terminate utility service.
- B. If the electric consumer has not made full payment of the delinquent amount within the seven (7) days, as stated in the “notice of account delinquent”. The Finance Revenue and Electric Commissioner will direct the City Finance Officer, in writing, to issue a written notice to said electric consumer that electric service will be terminated after seven (7) days. Said notice will give the time and date disconnection will commence the exact dollar amount which is delinquent and must be paid to retain electric service, and state the reason upon which the disconnection is based. Unless the consumer has entered into a payment agreement with the City, utility service will be terminated on the date sent out in said notice if the delinquent amount as stated in the letter is not paid in full.
- C. An electric account which has been terminated either by disconnection or remains unpaid at the time scheduled for disconnection will not be reinstated until all billings on said account have been paid in full, including a reconnect/reinstatement charge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) for residential customers or seventy five dollars (\$75.00) for commercial or industrial customers if the electric utility service is reinstated during the regular electric department working hours or seventy dollars (\$70.00) for residential customers or one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for commercial or industrial customers if the electric utility service is reconnected after regular electric department working hours. Discontinued service will be resumed only upon full payment of all electric billings and the above stated electric service charge

SECTION 7-51 SPECIAL SERVICES REGULATING THE CHARGE AND/OR USE OF CITY MATERIALS AND LABOR

- A. A charge of twenty dollars (\$20.00) will be made for the discontinuance or renewal of service to any seasonal equipment or consumer.
- B. When the City Electrical Department furnishes materials and/or labor in providing temporary electrical service for a contractor, owner, or lessee of premises during a construction period the contractor, owner, or lessee shall be charged for the actual cost of materials and labor furnished in accordance with City equipment rental and hourly wage rate schedule to provide the temporary service, but in no event shall the charge be less than thirty dollars (\$30.00).
- C. When the City Electrical Department furnishes materials and/or labor to provide a service such as moving power poles, electrical cables, street lights, transformers, etc., which primarily benefits and is for the convenience of the individuals property owner and not

for the benefit of the owner, the lessee shall be charged for the cost of the materials, equipment rental, and related labor furnished. The City Electrical Superintendent is hereby empowered to make the determination whether or not the work benefits the City's electrical distribution system.

CITY OF MADISON

/s/Jerry G. Johnson
Acting Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Jeff Heinemeyer
City Finance Officer

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2nd Reading: March 27, 2006