

**CITY OF MOAB ORDINANCE NO. 2019-14
AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING WASTEWATER CONNECTION AND
CULINARY WATER CONNECTION PROCEDURES**

The following findings describe the intent and purpose of this ordinance:

- a. From time to time the City amends its ordinances to remove outdated provisions or improve its operations.
- b. Currently City staff installs new wastewater connections, including service lines, and charges for the costs for same.
- c. Because of variations in the scope of work for every connection, a base fee has been charged, followed by a fee for the City's actual costs of construction.
- d. This practice has resulted in public confusion as to the actual costs of connection to the City wastewater system.
- e. Additionally, staff resources have been taxed, and a better use of those resources would be to have private contractors construct culinary water and wastewater service lines, with the City inspecting and approving the work.
- f. To improve efficiency of administration, the City intends to require that all connection fees are due and payable at the time of building permit issuance.
- g. This ordinance makes other clarifying amendments to Subchapter 13.08. The City finds that these changes are necessary and appropriate.

Therefore, the City of Moab repeals Subchapter 13.08 and amends same to read as follows:

13.08.010 Permit Required.

No person shall connect to the City culinary water or wastewater system or carry on the work of laying, repairing, altering or connecting any pipe, fitting, or equipment to the culinary water or wastewater system without having first obtained authorization to do so as provided in this Subchapter 08.

13.08.020 Application.

Application for culinary water and/or wastewater connections shall be made in writing by the owner of the premises to be served, or an authorized agent, and shall be accompanied by a plan showing the proposed connection, its size, and the location of all facilities to be connected to it. The application shall be made on the form entitled "Water and Wastewater Connection Application and Agreement" furnished by the City. All culinary water or wastewater connection

plans shall be reviewed for compliance with applicable City connection standards and plumbing codes.

13.08.030 Permit Prerequisites.

The Public Works Department may approve a permit under this Chapter only when the plumbing in the dwelling or building to be connected is constructed and installed in accordance with applicable building and plumbing codes. All culinary water and wastewater connections require an approved design showing correct sizing, materials, and, in the case of wastewater connections, proper grade from the service location to the wastewater main.

13.08.040 Permit Issuance--Payment of Fees—Installation Procedure.

A. Upon approval of the application by the Public Works Department, clearance by any other City departments, and payment of all applicable fees, the Treasurer may authorize connection to the culinary water or wastewater system. The authorization shall specify the type of occupancy, address, and size/type of the connection(s). All impact fees, connection fees, material charges, and other applicable utility fees are due and payable at the time a building permit is issued for new construction or development.

B. The City will install all connection couplings to the City main culinary water or wastewater lines. Unless otherwise directed by the City, the applicant, at its sole cost, is responsible for arranging for excavation and construction of all culinary water or wastewater service lines from the building(s) to the City connection. All utility construction shall be performed by persons properly licensed to perform work of that type. The City shall be given not less than forty-eight (48) hours' notice of the installation in order to inspect service lines for workmanship and conformity with approved plans. Non-conforming or defective installations may be rejected.

13.08.050 Culinary Water Meters.

All culinary water meters, whether supplied by the City or supplied and dedicated by the applicant, are the property of the City and are subject to its exclusive control. Unless otherwise directed, the City shall install all culinary water meters. If an applicant does not supply a culinary water meter, the City may order same and the cost of the meter will be due and payable by the applicant at the time of building permit issuance.

13.08.060 Fire-Line Connections.

A. All fire line connections to the culinary water system, including those for fire sprinkler systems and fire hydrants must meet the specifications for line size, passes, and backflow protection as determined by the Public Works Department. All fire sprinkler systems connected to the culinary water system must be installed with a single check valve with a meter that is AWWA-approved.

B. A fire sprinkler system may be connected to the culinary water system using a chemical or antifreeze mechanism, provided that: i) the system is installed with a double check valve with a meter and by-pass; ii) all maintenance to such system is performed by the applicant; and iii) the connection meets all approved specifications and plumbing codes.

13.08.070 Fees.

Rates for culinary water connections, wastewater connections, fire sprinkler connections, and all other utility fees shall be as set by the City Council from time to time by ordinance or resolution.

13.08.080 Rights-of-Way.

The applicant is solely responsible for securing easements or rights-of-way necessary to accommodate culinary water or wastewater service. Where necessary, the City may require dedication or conveyance to the City of easements to accommodate installation of public utility lines.

13.08.090 Barricades and Traffic Control.

If utility installation work will encroach upon City rights-of-way, the person performing the work must obtain and comply with an Encroachment/Excavation Permit. The Encroachment/Excavation Permit will address excavation, backfilling, traffic control, and safety measures to be taken in connection with the work. All persons performing utility installation must maintain sufficient warning signage, barricades, and/or signals at or near every excavation. All signage or barriers shall be maintained in compliance with the Utah Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (current version)

13.08.100 Fees to be Paid Prior to Use of Service.


Before culinary water or wastewater service will be turned on to any premises, all unpaid charges against the premises that are due and payable for culinary water or wastewater service, connection fees, impact fees, materials, or supplies shall be paid in full.

13.08.110 Service Outside City Limits--Service Agreement and Annexation.

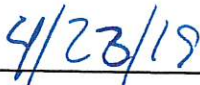
Any applicant for connection to City culinary water or wastewater service for real property located outside the municipal boundaries of the City of Moab shall sign, as a condition for receiving service, a service agreement, in a form approved by the City, specifying the terms of service and providing that, as a condition to connection to municipal culinary water and/or wastewater service, the property owner consents to annexation of the subject property at such time as annexation shall be legally feasible. The City may properly deny an application for culinary water service or wastewater service outside of the municipal limits where capacity is unavailable, or where system requirements, distance, construction costs, terrain features, or the like make service impracticable.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a majority of the City of Moab City Council. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.

SIGNED:



Emily S. Niehaus, Mayor



Date

ATTEST:



Sommar Johnson, Recorder