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## **ORDINANCE NO. 3971**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS FOR FAILURE TO PAY WATER BILL BY AMENDING SECTION 13.04.660 OF CHAPTER 13.04 OF THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City of Rapid City that Section 13.04.660 of Chapter 13.04 of the Rapid City Municipal Code be amended to read as follows:

## **13.04.660** Failure to pay.

- A. If charges prescribed by this chapter are not paid within thirty forty-five days from billing date, the water may be shut off. Ten days Pprior to terminating the water service, a notice of intent to terminate the service will be mailed, return receipt requested, to the customer along with the procedures to contest the termination. Such termination notice will allow the customers-fifteen days before final termination to contest and resolve the dispute. The water shall not be turned on again until all current and delinquent unpaid charges are paid in full satisfactorily resolved, together with a service call charge of ten fifteen dollars. If such services are requested to be provided outside normal city office hours, a surcharge of fifteen twenty dollars shall also have been paid. If a water serviceperson, called upon to shut off the water at a premises, arrives at the premises and the current and delinquent unpaid charges are paid in full satisfactorily resolved, together with a service call charge of ten fifteen dollars, the water to the premises shall not be shut off. If the charges are for a multiunit rental, the usage, service charge, and late payment must be paid in full or an account opened in the name of the owners of the property. All moneys on account will be credited to the oldest part of the bill first.
- B. No person shall turn on the water to any premises from which the water has been turned off as provided for in this section, without written authority from the water and sewer department.
- C. If it is necessary to dig up the curb stop or corporation stop or shut off water for nonpayment of the water bill, the cost of work shall be added to the water bill in addition to all other charges.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

ATTEST:	Mayor	
Finance Officer		
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