

Policy Statement No. 3-03
Water Division, Public Works Department
City of Rapid City

SUBJECT: Reimbursement to Customers for Pressure Reducing Valve Installation
AUTHORITY: Municipal Code Section _____
PURPOSE: Establish procedures for reimbursement to water customers for pressure reducing valves (PRV) installed within customers' homes and businesses that are connected to the Rapid City water distribution system at the time of pressure increase.
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APPROVED: Ted Vore, Acting Director of Public Works
DATE: October _____, 2003
POLICY:

A. City-Initiated Increase in Water Pressure

1. If the City initiates an increase in water pressure in the distribution system which causes an increase in static pressure above 80 psi, the City will reimburse affected residential and commercial customers connected to the system at the time of increase \$150.00 to be applied to the cost of labor and materials to install the pressure reducing valve (PRV);
2. Reimbursement will be made by the City contingent upon: a) the customer providing receipts to the Water Superintendent documenting payment of the PRV, miscellaneous parts and labor; and b) the customer showing proof of having obtained a plumbing permit and received an inspection to verify PRV, backflow, and meter compliance with City standards and codes. The applicable plumbing permits will be issued without charge;
3. Reimbursement to the affected customer will be made by check from the City Finance Office;

B. Customer-Initiated Increase in Water Pressure

1. If customers request an increase in water pressure to above 80 psi static the City will not reimburse the affected customers for costs to install PRV's;
2. An increase in pressure will be considered only if a petition requesting the increase is submitted to the Public Works Director or his designee with signatures of at least 80% of the customers in the affected area;
3. The Public Works Director, upon hydraulic analysis of the water distribution system, may approve or disapprove the request for an increase in water pressure, with concurrence of Council.

Approved by Council on: _____