

ORDINANCE 5838

**AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ESTABLISH WATER SERVICE LINE INSPECTION
AND NEW ACCOUNT FEES BY ADDING SECTION 13.08.425 TO THE
RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted to it by Chapter 9-47 of the South Dakota Codified Laws, the City of Rapid City has established and operates a municipal water system; and

WHEREAS, Rapid City's water distribution system is an enterprise fund which must be able to economically support itself without the use of the City's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the funds required to build, operate and maintain the City's water system are generated solely through the fees and rates charged to the water system's customers; and

WHEREAS, the fees and rates the City has currently adopted by ordinance are based on a study conducted in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City's current fee and rate plan included fees for new service line inspections and new accounts; and

WHEREAS, the recodification of Title 13 of the Rapid City Municipal Code inadvertently omitted those fees from the current fee structure; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rapid City deems it to be in the City's best interest to re-establish those fees in the City's fee and rate structure for its water system.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City that Article IV of Chapter 13.08 of the Rapid City Municipal Code be amended by adding Section 13.08.425 to read as follows:

13.08.425 Connection and Service line inspection and new account fees.

The Service Line Inspection Fee as shown below shall provide an initial field inspection of the private water service line from the curb stop to the structure, mileage, administrative tracking and card drawing. Each additional inspection of the private water service line shall require the payment of a re- inspection fee as follows:

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Service Line Inspection Fee	\$65	\$72	\$79	\$87	\$95
Re-Inspection Fee	\$30	\$33	\$36	\$40	\$44

A new account charge for accounts within the city limits and a new account charge specific to accounts outside the city limits shall be paid for water turn-on service as set forth below. A surcharge shall be paid in addition to the turn-on charge if such service is requested to be performed during hours other than hours that the general offices of the city are open. An additional surcharge during normal hours and a surcharge specific to afterhours shall be paid if the employees of the city are unable to turn on the water because of inability to obtain access through no fault of the city. Such surcharges are set forth below.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
New Account within City Limits (Turn-On)	\$25	\$28	\$30	\$33	\$37
New Account outside City Limits (Turn-On)	\$30	\$33	\$36	\$40	\$44
Surcharge After Hours	\$60	\$66	\$73	\$80	\$88
No Access Surcharge-Business Hours	\$17	\$19	\$21	\$23	\$25
No Access Surcharge-After Hours	\$50	\$55	\$61	\$67	\$73

CITY OF RAPID CITY

Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer

(SEAL)