

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF RAPID CITY AND LANDOWNER  
AUTHORIZING LANDOWNER TO CONNECT TO CITY WATER SYSTEM**

This Agreement is entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_, by and between [NAME], (the “Landowner”), of [ADDRESS], and the **CITY OF RAPID CITY** (the “City”), a South Dakota municipal corporation, 300 Sixth Street, Rapid City, South Dakota, 57701.

WHEREAS, the Landowner hereby acknowledges he is the owner of record of property located at [ADDRESS] which is legally described as:

**[LEGAL]**

WHEREAS, the Landowner’s property is currently served by a non-conforming water service line; and

WHEREAS, the City has undertaken the Water and Sewer Main Extension – Plum Tree Lane Project No. 14-2151 / CIP No. 50961.1, which will extend new water mains adjacent to Landowner’s property; and

WHEREAS, Landowner cannot connect to the City’s water system until the construction project has been completed, accepted by the City, and a construction fee resolution approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial for both Landowner and the City to allow connection to the City’s water system once the water main has been constructed and tested, which generally occurs prior to project acceptance and approval of a construction fee resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City and Landowner desire to enter into this Agreement in order to reduce their mutual understandings and agreements regarding the connection of Landowner’s property to the City’s water system to writing.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, it is agreed by the parties as follows:

1. The City hereby grants Landowner the right to connect to the City’s water system prior to approval of a construction fee resolution.
2. Landowner agrees to pay a construction fee for this specific project which is estimated to be Nine Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$9,600.00) for the right to connect to the City’s water system. The City will send the Landowner a bill for the final connection fee amount upon the approval of the construction fee resolution. Landowner agrees to make payment within thirty days of issuance of the bill.
3. Should Landowner fail to make payment within the thirty days provided above, the City shall have all legal and equitable remedies provided by law to collect said payment. In the

event City is forced to initiate collection, the Landowner agrees to be responsible for all costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, court costs, and interest on the construction fee at the rate of ten percent per annum. In addition, City may shut off all water service to the property until payment is made.

4. Landowner agrees to defend, release, indemnify and hold City harmless from any and all liability arising from the connection of Landowner's connection to the City's water main by Landowner, its officers, directors, contractors, agents and/or employees.

5. Landowner agrees to obtain all applicable permits and follow all laws, ordinances, administrative rules, and regulations, including payment of all applicable fees relating thereto, when constructing his connection to the City's water system. The Landowner is also responsible for all costs associated with construction or reconstruction of the service line or lines from any building to the main or service stub as needed to provide facilities that comply with the City's standard specifications and ordinances.

6. At the time of connection, Landowner agrees to contact the City's utility billing department to confirm that an account has been set up in his/her name, and to provide all necessary information and assistance as may be required to set up such account.

7. All of the terms and conditions herein set forth shall extend to and be binding upon the heirs, assigns, or successors in interest of the Landowner.

8. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior negotiations, agreements and understandings, whether oral or written. This Agreement may only be amended by a written document duly executed by all parties.

9. This Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of South Dakota. Any litigation under this Agreement shall be resolved in the circuit court of Pennington County, State of South Dakota.

