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**SEWER SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TERRACOTTA  
ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND  
CITY OF RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

This Agreement entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011 by and between the City of Rapid City, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "City", and Terracotta Estates Homeowners Association, a homeowners association outside the Rapid City limits, hereinafter referred to as "the Association".

WHEREAS, the City has constructed and operates a wastewater collection and treatment system for the purpose of collection, treatment and disposal of sewage, and;

WHEREAS, Prairie Fire Development has constructed a sewage collection system within the Prairie Fire Subdivision, located in the NE1/4 Section 26, T1N, R8 E B.H.M., Pennington County, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, Prairie Fire Subdivision encompasses an area, outside the City Limits, which is so situated that the sewage thereof becomes, or may become, a menace to the residents of such area; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted a Resolution establishing a policy regulating the provisions of City utility to property outside city limits, dated May 16, 2005, and attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Association is eligible to enter into an Agreement with the City to connect to the facilities of the City for the treatment and disposal of sewage of the six (6) block subdivision, serving seventy five (75) lots; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Association desire to enter into an Agreement to allow the Association to use the sewage treatment and disposal facilities of the City and to establish rights and obligations incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that said Agreement is appropriate and in the best interests of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the City of Rapid City's above-referenced adopted Resolution establishing a policy regulating the provisions of city utility services to property outside city limits, and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the City and the Association hereby agree as follows:

### **SECTION ONE DEFINITIONS**

- A. The words, terms and phrases of a technical nature relating to wastewater collection and treatment shall have the meaning assigned to them in Section 13.08.010 of the Rapid City Municipal Code and shall be interpreted as such throughout this Agreement.
- B. One (1) SFRE equals one (1) single-family residential user, as defined by Section 13.08.010 of the City's Municipal Code.

### **SECTION TWO USE OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

- A. The City hereby grants to the Association the right to discharge sewage into the City's sewer system. The City agrees to transport such sewage from the point of entry to the wastewater treatment works of the City, and to treat and dispose of such sewage, all subject to the conditions herein. The Association shall discharge its sewage into the City sewer system through a sewer manhole.
- B. The Association shall provide to the City, water meter readings for each meter within the subdivision for water used during the winter months of December, January and February. The average monthly winter use measured in hundreds of cubic feet shall be multiplied by the rate described in SECTION FOUR and the product will determine the monthly sewer use charge for the 12-month period commencing April 1 for each year. The Association shall also provide the meter reading from the source water used to supply the subdivision for the months of December, January and February. When a new home is constructed within the Association, or if there is an intermittent user within the association, the monthly sewer charge shall be increased based on the average single family residential water use of 700 cubic feet per month per dwelling unit served and this volume shall be used until the end of the next averaging period.

### **SECTION THREE ENACTMENT OF SEWER ORDINANCES**

- A. The City hereby agrees to furnish copies of City ordinances and the Association hereby agrees to enact all applicable portions of such ordinances to govern the Home Owners Association prior to discharge of any sewage into the City's system. The Association hereby agrees that the enacted ordinances shall comply with the regulations of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency and the South Dakota Department of

Environment and Natural Resources. The Association further hereby agrees to enforce the terms of any such enacted ordinances and to furnish the City with a copy of such ordinances and any amendments adopted subsequent thereto. The Association agrees to establish and enforce an industrial pre-treatment program at least equal to that established by the City in the event any user within the Subdivision conducts any operation, which would be subject to such program if located within previously identified Prairie Fire Subdivision boundaries.

B. The Trunk Sewer in the South Side Drive right-of-way shall be owned and operated by the City of Rapid City. Prairie Fire shall own, operate and maintain its sewer system until such time as its development is annexed by the City of Rapid City.

#### **SECTION FOUR SERVICE CHARGES**

A. The Association shall pay to the City monthly service charges based upon the volume of sewage as tabulated under SECTION TWO. The rate charged for sewer shall be \$3.66/unit for 2011, \$3.81/unit for 2012 and \$3.96/unit for 2013. Thereafter, sewer unit rates shall be 150% of the rates charged to the Rapid Valley Sanitary District. There shall be no monthly meter charge.

B. Service charges shall be payable monthly, on or before the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day of each month.

#### **SECTION FIVE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL USERS**

A. In the event an industrial or commercial user shall desire to convey wastes other than domestic sewage to the Association's sewage collection system, this Agreement shall be amended to include a permit system as provided in Section 13.08 of the City's Municipal Code, including pretreatment, monitoring, sampling, record keeping, and reporting as required under Section 13.08, and in compliance with federal categorical pretreatment standards, as provided in section 13.08.330.

B. The Association shall permit no significant or minor industrial user to use the Association's sewage collection system until such aforementioned conditions have been implemented by mutual agreement between the City and the Association.

#### **SECTION SIX ADDITIONS TO PRAIRIE FIRE DEVELOPMENT**

A. The present boundaries of Prairie Fire Subdivision are the same and unchanged from the boundaries described and outlined above.

B. The Association shall not allow the use of its sewage collection system by any properties, other than those properties set forth in the Recitals of this Agreement and displayed on a map of the area attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein. In

the event that the Association expands its boundaries, it shall not allow anyone within the extension of such boundaries to convey sewage or industrial waste to the City Wastewater Treatment Plant without prior written approval of the City allowing persons in such extended area to use the City Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**SECTION SEVEN  
TEMPORARY DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE**

The City reserves the right to temporarily discontinue service to the Association, with proper notification, whenever it is necessary to insure proper operation of the City's wastewater collection and treatment system. No claims for damages for such discontinuance shall be made by the Association or its members against the City. The Association agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City against all claims made for discontinuance of service.

**SECTION EIGHT  
EFFECTIVE DATE OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement shall become effective immediately.

**SECTION NINE  
TERM AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement shall be in full force and effect for an unlimited time or until the Association and its entire jurisdiction is annexed into the Corporate Limits of the City of Rapid City. At such time of annexation, the City may elect to assume the ownership and maintenance of the Association's jurisdictional collection system and a new Agreement may be executed. The City may elect to assume ownership and maintenance of that portion of the collection system along South Side Drive at any time and without mutual agreement between the parties.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011,

CITY OF RAPID CITY

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Finance Officer

(SEAL)

State of South Dakota        )  
  ss.  
County of Pennington        )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Alan Hanks and Pauline Sumption, who acknowledged themselves to be the Mayor and Finance Officer, respectively, of the City of Rapid City and that they, as such Mayor and Finance Officer, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing as such Mayor and Finance Officer of the City of Rapid City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

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Notary Public, South Dakota

My Commission Expires:

(SEAL)

TERRACOTTA ESTATES  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

By: Jim Bauer  
Its: President

