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ORDINANCE NO. 1261

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, CHAPTER XV, SECTION 15-214, TO ESTABLISH POLICY AND PROCEDURE REGARDING WATER LEAKS ON ANY CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY IN VIOLATION OF THE CITY'S WATER CONSERVATION PLAN .

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS.

SECTION 1: New City Code Section 15-214. LEAKS PROHIBITED; PENALTIES.

(a) No allowances shall be made for water used or lost through leaks, carelessness, neglect or otherwise after the same has passed through the meter. However, every customer shall have the right to appeal to the City from the water bill or meter reading which he or she may consider excessive.

(b) When a water leak is determined to be on the customer's private water line inside the City limits, the City Superintendent or his/her designee will leave a door hanger and follow up with a letter notifying the home owner or occupant of the leak. If the leak is visible, the home owner or occupant will be given two (2) weeks to have the leak repaired or the City will shut off water service to that customer until the repair is complete.

When a water leak is determined to be on the customer's private water line outside the City limits, the City Superintendent or his/her designee will leave a door hanger and follow up with a letter notifying the home owner or occupant of the leak. If the leak is visible, the home owner or occupant will be given two (2) weeks to have the leak repaired or the City will shut off water service to that customer until the repair is complete.

If the water leak is outside the City limits on the main private line, the person responsible for that line will have it repaired immediately.

SECTION 2: All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed in so far as they conflict herewith.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage and publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Governing body this 2nd day of March,

2009.

Harley McDaniel
HARLEY MCDANIEL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Janice Blancett
JANICE BLANCETT, CITY CLERK

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