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9A-01-010. Application For Water Service.

Any person desiring a supply of water from the City water system, or such other services available, shall apply therefor to the City Treasurer and file an agreement with the City, which said agreement and application shall be substantially in the following form:

APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT

TO FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY:

DATE:

The undersigned hereby apply for water and sewer service in Fruit Heights for their premises located at and hereby agree to pay for water used for sewer service furnished at the rates as have been or may in the future be fixed by the City Council; and in the event of failure to pay either for the water used for sewer service, the City shall have the right to shut off the water and disconnect the sewer, or either, at its election; and the undersigned further agree to be bound by the rules and regulations and ordinances of the City now in effect or to become effective in the future for the control of the City's water or sewer system.

Also submitted herewith is a cash deposit of \$_____ which is to guarantee payment for water used or for sewer service. In the event the undersigned shall fail to pay for water used or for sewer charges according to City rates, this deposit shall be forfeited and applied on such delinquency. Upon the termination of the water and sewer service, this deposit shall be returned by the City to the undersigned provided all water and sewer bills have been paid in full.

Also submitted herewith is a sum of \$_____ which constitutes payment for connection to the water and sewer system, respectively.

WITNESSED BY:

APPLICANT(S)

APPROVED, Fruit Heights City Council

*By
Council member*

9A-01-020. Two Users On One Connection.

Where two (2) or more premises are supplied from one water service pipe, the failure on the part of either of said premises to comply with these ordinances shall legally justify the City to withhold the supply of water through said service pipe until a separate service pipe with stopcock and key box and meters is put in for each user of water under a separate application.

9A-01-030. Tenants.

The record owner of property to be served by the City services must appear as an applicant for water connection and service, and shall be held responsible to the City for payment of all water service fees and utility charges incurred by that connection. Owners of property that rent, lease or otherwise give the said property over to the tenancy of another shall remain liable for the water services and other

utilities furnished to the property by the City, including all fees and charges incurred by a renter or lessee or other occupant of the owner's premises. It shall be the duty of the property owner to notify the City of termination or change in ownership of the property.

9A-01-040. Vacancy.

(a) The customer shall be responsible for the payment of all fees associated with the utilities provided to the property until a new customer submits an application for service at the property. If a customer has transferred ownership of the property, the customer may submit a notice to City requesting disconnection. The City may require proof of property transfer in connection with this request. Due to the ongoing expenses of maintaining the utility system for the immediate benefit of each property, users may not terminate or defer the accrual of fees for their properties, except as provided in this section.

(b) A customer may request a deferral of fees for no less than six months nor greater than two years, if the property will be vacant and water will not be used during that time. The customer shall be required to pay a fee in an amount identified in the consolidated fee schedule at the commencement of the deferral. The City may install a lock on the customer's meter when that customer's account is put into deferral.

(c) Upon resumption of occupancy, the customer must inform the City in order to remove the property from deferral status.

(d) A customer whose account is in deferral, and who fails to inform the City of occupancy within thirty days of occupancy, shall be required to pay the fees for any portion of any month during which the property was occupied, and also pay a penalty fee equal to a month of service.

9A-01-050. Water To Be Used Only By Occupants.

It shall be unlawful for any water user to permit any person from other premises, or any unauthorized person, to use or obtain water regularly from his premises from water outlets either outside or inside his building.

9A-01-060. Pipes To Be Kept In Repair.

All water users shall keep their service pipes and connections and other apparatus in good repair and protected from frost at their own expense; but no person, except under the direction of the water department, shall be allowed to dig into the street for the purpose of laying, removing, or repairing a service pipe without approval of the City.

9A-01-070. Waste Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any water user to waste water, or to allow it to be wasted, by imperfect stops, taps, valves, leaky joints or pipes, or to allow tanks or watering troughs to leak or overflow, or to wastefully run water from hydrants, faucets or stops or through basins, water closets, urinals, sinks or other apparatus, or to use the water for purposes other than those for which he has paid, or to use water in violation of the rules and regulations for controlling the water supply.

9A-01-080. Water Department To Have Free Access.

The City Manager and their agent (Public Works Employees) shall have at all ordinary hours the free access to premises supplied with water from the waterworks system for the purpose of examining the premises and the amount of water used and the manner in which the water was used.

9A-01-090. Water Must Be Metered.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to use or have in their possession any water from the city waterworks that has not first passed through and the quantity thereof measured by a water meter approved by the city, unless exception has been authorized the city council. Meters larger than one inch (1") shall be purchased and maintained by the person, persons, firm, etc., receiving water service through the meter.

Every structure, house or building in which a business is carried on, or a residence maintained, using water from the city waterworks, must have a separate and individual water meter, except as authorized by the city council.

9A-01-100. Obstructions On Or Near Water Meter Boxes.

It shall be unlawful for any water user to cover, by any means, or to construct buildings, fences or other structures or to plant shrubs, trees or other vegetation that impede or interfere with unrestricted and easy access to a water meter. Failure of any user to remove any such obstruction, as directed by the water supervisor or his agent, shall result in termination of all water service. Before said water service shall again be provided to the premises, said obstruction must be removed and all penalties assessed by the City for shutting off and turning on the water service must be paid in full.

9A-01-110. City Not Liable For Damage.

The City shall not be liable for any damage to a water user by reason of stoppage or interruption of his water supply caused by fires, scarcity of water, damages to works or mains, alterations, additions or repairs, or for any other unavoidable cause.

9A-01-120. Curtailment Of Usage.

The City Council may by resolution regulate, restrict or limit the use of water during water shortage periods and shall have the power to take all necessary means and make any necessary regulations as circumstances require to protect the users of the City water.

9A-01-130. Water Rates And Collection.

The water rates and connection fees for a supply of water from the Fruit Heights City water system shall be fixed by ordinance of the City Council. The City Council may from time to time enact rules for levying, billing, guaranteeing, and collecting charges for water and all other rules necessary for the management and control of the water system.

9A-01-140. Special Rates.

The City Council may from time to time fix special rates and conditions for users using an exceptionally large or small amounts of water upon such terms and conditions as they may deem proper.

9A-01-150. Board Of Equalization; Water Rates, Rebates.

The City Council is hereby constituted a board of equalization of water rates to hear complaints and make corrections of any assessments deemed to be illegal, unequal or unjust. They may, if they see fit, rebate all or any part of the water bill of any indigent person.

9A-01-160. Use Without Payment Unlawful.

It shall be unlawful for any person by himself, family, servants, or agents, to use the water coming through the City water without first paying therefor as herein provided.

9A-01-170. Payment Notice; Discontinuance Of Service.

(a) Statement Of Charges: The City utility billing clerk shall mail or cause to be mailed a statement of service charges to each user of water, storm sewer, transportation and garbage collection each month or at such other regular intervals as the City Council shall direct. Said statement shall separately specify the amount of charges for water, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, and garbage service and shall also specify the date due and place wherein payments may be made.

(b) Penalty: If any person neglects, fails or refuses to pay his charges for water, storm sewer, sanitary sewer or garbage on or before the specified due date, penalties shall be assessed against said charges thirty (30) days following the due date in the amount established in the consolidated fee schedule. Additional penalties shall apply every thirty (3) days until: (1) water is shut off, or (2) any past due balances, together with all penalties and special expense fees associated with the city utility account have been paid.

(c) Shut-Off: If, within a period of thirty (30) days after the penalty is assessed, payment for any past due balances, together with any penalty fees, has not been made, the City utility billing clerk shall notify the water supervisor to shut off all water service to the premises involved or to take other collection measures authorized by the City Council. Before water service to said premises shall again be provided, any past due balances, together with all penalty and special expense fees that may be assessed, must have been paid.

(d) Notice: Prior to the shutting off of water service, and during the thirty (30) day period subsequent to the assessment of the penalty fee, the City utility billing clerk shall first mail or cause to be mailed at least two (2) notices to the billing address of the customers in arrears advising them of their delinquency. One of such notices shall be a shutoff notice specifying the date the water is to be shut off for nonpayment and also specifying the customers' right to appeal such action to the City Council

(e) Appeal: A customer may appeal a shutoff notice to the City Council by submitting a written appeal to the City Manager prior to the shutoff date. The appeal shall be placed on a subsequent city council agenda that is at least seven calendar days after the appeal is filed. An appeal to the City Council shall stay the shutoff while the matter is pending, but fees and penalties continue to accrue and are not stayed.

(f) Collection Agency: The City utility billing clerk shall have the authority to utilize a collection agency on all accounts not collectible by the water shutoff method. When a collection agency is used, the cost of collection shall be added to the account balance in arrears.

9A-01-180. Turning On Water After Turned Off Unlawful.

It shall be unlawful for any person, after the water has been turned off from his premises for either nonpayment of water or sewer charges as provided in section 9A-01-160 of this chapter or for a violation of the rules and regulations of the City, to turn the water on again. Such delinquent water user or violator shall be assessed and pay the amount as penalty and cost as determined by resolution of the City Council for the shutting off and turning on of the water and all delinquent charges, before the water is turned on again. The water is to be turned on only by the City representative. In addition to payment, the violator shall also be required to make a new application and to add a new deposit as provided in this chapter.

9A-01-190. Water Not Being Used.

Any water user not using water must report the same to the city treasurer in advance of payment, if the user desires the water shut off from the premises. Allowance will be made only for such time as the water has been ordered shut off and no allowance will be made for nonuse for less than one-half of a month. If the user fails to so report the regular rate must be paid. In case the water assessment is already paid in advance, the time out for nonuse shall be applied to extend paid up time. All corrections in

assessments and all abatements shall be made by the city treasurer under the direction of the city council.

9A-01-200. Unlawful To Pollute Or Contaminate Water Sources.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership or corporation to do or permit to be done any of the things hereinafter described in this section in any canyon or along any stream of water, lake or other body of water used by the inhabitants of the City for their water supply within a point fifteen (15) miles above the point from which said water is taken and for a distance of three hundred feet (300') on each side of any stream, lake or any other water source, or on a highway along such stream or water sources within said fifteen (15) miles and said three hundred feet (300'):

(a) Waste Disposal System; Pool: To construct or maintain any closet, privy, outhouse, cesspool, urinal or sewage disposal system or any public bathhouse, swimming tank or swimming pool without first having obtained from the City Council a permit for the construction, use and maintenance of the same.

(b) Contaminating Yard: To construct or maintain any corral, sheep pen, pig pen, chicken coop, stable, or any offensive or contaminating yard or outhouse where a permit to do so has not first been obtained from the local board of health.

(c) Manure, Carcass: To dispose of, pile, unload or leave any manure or any offensive rubbish or the carcass of any dead animal at any place within the limits hereinabove designated.

(d) Garbage: To throw or dispose of any garbage or any deleterious matter of any kind within said limits except at such garbage disposal location and in such garbage receptacles as shall be provided and maintained by the City or any other agencies.

(e) Dogs: To permit any dog to run into or swim in such stream, lake or other water sources.

(f) Glass: To throw or break bottles and other glass or to leave any broken glass within said area.

(g) Picnicking: To spread or eat any picnic or lunch at any place within said designated area which may now or hereafter be excluded as a picnic or camping ground by the City Council.

(h) Wading, Swimming: To wade, bathe, swim or enter into any such streams, lakes or other water sources.

(i) Washing Dishes: To wash dishes or other articles in said streams, lakes or other water sources; except that the washing of dishes and other articles may be allowed in any place which may hereafter be expressly provided for by the City Council.

9A-01-210. Unlawful To Live Near Open Water Sources.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, partnership or corporation to own, operate, maintain or permit the use of any house, cottage, cabin, human habitation or camping place within the area hereinabove designated without providing for and maintaining a sewage disposal system satisfactory to the Davis County health department and without complying with the rules and regulations of said health department relative thereto; and the said health department shall have authority to close or prevent the use of said house or any other human habitation or camping place, if its rules and regulations relative to the use thereof are not complied with.

9A-01-220. Unlawful To Maintain Nuisance Near Open Water Source.

It shall be unlawful for any person to commit any nuisance whatsoever, detrimental to the purity of such streams, lakes or other water sources.

9A-01-230. Davis County Health Department To Make Rules.

The Davis County Health Department is authorized and directed to prescribe necessary rules and regulations not contrary to law for the governing of all matters of sanitation within the water sources of the City as hereinbefore designated.

9A-01-240. City Council To Place Signs.

The City Council may, at its discretion, provide for the erection and placing of proper signs, posting water source areas if deemed necessary for the protection of the City water supply.

9A-01-250. Fire Hydrant Water Use Permits.

The purpose of these provisions is to provide a uniform set of guidelines for issuing fire hydrant water use permits. The private use of City fire hydrants for obtaining water shall be used as a measure of last resort and all other means of obtaining water for construction purposes, dust control and other private uses must be explored and used whenever possible. In any event, no private use of City fire hydrants as permitted herein, may interfere with the use of any fire hydrant by City officials, and the servicing fire agency/department shall at all times have unrestricted access to all fire hydrants.

9A-01-260. Permit Required.

Any person or entity desiring to obtain water from a City fire hydrant shall submit an application for a fire hydrant water use permit on forms provided by the City to the Fruit Heights City public works department. The application shall be signed by the applicant or applicant's authorized and certified agent, and shall state the purpose for which the water is to be used, the location of the intended fire hydrant to be used, and the desired term of the permit, not to exceed thirty (30) days. Applicants must agree to and abide by all conditions, charges and liabilities of the permit.

9A-01-270. Fees.

Each application for a fire hydrant water use permit shall be accompanied by the required permit fees as set forth in the City fee schedule. No permit shall be issued until the proper fees have been paid to the City. Unless otherwise provided, the permit and fees required herein shall be in addition to any and all other licenses, permits and fees imposed by any other ordinance, regulation or law.

9A-01-280. Issuance Of Permit.

The City Manager or their designee shall review all applications for fire hydrant water use permits and may issue or deny such applications based upon consideration of the effect of the proposed use, the location of the hydrant, the availability of water from the system, assurance that the use of the hydrant(s) will not adversely affect delivery of water to existing connections to the City water system, and compliance with all conditions and requirements of sections 9A-01-240 through 9A-01-360 of this chapter. Permit terms may not exceed thirty (30) days. Permits shall be valid only for the applicant for whom it was issued and only for the location and use for which it was issued and shall not be assignable or transferable.

9A-01-290. Water Meter.

Upon issuance of a fire hydrant water use permit and payment of all required fees and deposits, the permit holder shall obtain a meter and other required equipment from the public works department necessary to obtain and meter the water drawn from the hydrant in accordance with the permit. A deposit

shall be required for the use of the meter and other equipment provided by the City in an amount set forth in the City fee schedule in order to ensure return of the meter and equipment in good condition. The meter number and reading shall be noted on the permit at the time of issuance.

9A-01-300. Payment.

Upon completion of the use of fire hydrant water or expiration of the permit, whichever is sooner, applicant shall return the meter and other equipment provided by the City and pay the appropriate fee in accordance with the rates set forth in the City fee schedule for the amount of water used as indicated on the returned meter. In the alternative, the City may require an applicant to prepay for the good faith estimate of the amount of water to be used at the appropriate rate set forth in the City fee schedule. All fees, deposits and payments shall be submitted to the City treasurer's office for receipt and remittance.

9A-01-310. Inspection.

The City reserves the right to supervise and/or inspect the use of any City fire hydrant in accordance with any permit issued hereunder. Applicant shall close the hydrant and disconnect the meter from the hydrant when not using the water, thereby leaving the hydrants free and clear for use by the Kaysville City fire department and City officials.

9A-01-320. Records.

The public works department shall keep a record of all permits issued hereunder, including the name of the person to whom the permit was issued, the term of the permit and the fees and deposit collected.

9A-01-330. Rules And Regulations.

The Public Works Department may establish and adopt, with the advice and consent of the City Council, rules and regulations governing the use of City fire hydrants and permits for the same.

9A-01-340. Indemnification.

Applicant shall be responsible for returning the meter and equipment to the City in good condition when due. A late fee may be charged for any meter or equipment which is not returned to the City within twenty four (24) hours from the expiration of the permit as provided in the City fee schedule. Applicant shall be responsible to reimburse the City for the cost to replace any meter or equipment not returned and shall be liable for any and all damage to the City fire hydrant(s) or equipment in connection with applicant's use of the hydrant. Applicant shall further indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, agents and sureties, from liability of any kind or nature which may result from use of the hydrant, meter, equipment or water as permitted herein.

9A-01-350. Revocation.

Any fire hydrant water use permit issued hereunder may be revoked or suspended by the City upon applicant's failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the Public Works Department and the ordinances of the City governing the use of water from City fire hydrants. Prior to revocation of any permit, proper notice and an opportunity to be heard shall be provided to the permit holder.

9A-01-360. Unauthorized Use.

It is unlawful for any person, other than those duly authorized, to open or operate any City fire hydrant or to tamper or interfere with or attempt to draw water therefrom, or in any way to obstruct the approach thereto.

9A-01-370. Appeals.

Any person aggrieved of the denial or revocation of a fire hydrant water use permit may appeal such decision to the City Council by filing written notice of appeal within fifteen (15) days from the date of the decision.

9A-01-380. Cross Connections.

(a) Title And Purpose: This section shall be known as the *FRUIT HEIGHTS CITY CROSS CONNECTION ORDINANCE*, and may be so cited. The purpose of this section is to protect the public potable water supply from contamination or pollution by isolating within its customers' internal distribution system(s) or its customers' private water system(s) such contaminants or pollutants which could backflow or back siphon into the public potable water supply system. This section is adopted pursuant to section R309-200 of the Utah safe drinking water rules and regulations.

(b) Requirements: No water service connection to any premises within Fruit Heights City shall be installed or maintained unless the water supply is protected. Unprotected cross connections shall not be an integral part of any consumer's water system within Fruit Heights City. In the event a cross connection cannot be eliminated, it must be protected by the installation of an air gap or approved backflow prevention assembly/device in accordance with the provisions set forth herein.

(c) Responsibilities: It shall be the responsibility of the consumer to purchase, install or cause to be installed, test and maintain any backflow prevention assembly/device required herein. It shall be the responsibility of the City Public Works and Building Departments to administer and enforce the provisions of this section to ensure compliance herewith.

(d) Compliance: All connections to the Fruit Heights City potable water system and backflow prevention devices required herein shall conform to the provisions of this section, the international plumbing code as adopted by the City, the Utah safe drinking water act, and other relevant provisions of Utah Code Annotated, as amended.

(e) Enforcement: The City may make periodic surveys or inspections to ensure protection of the water supply. Service of water to any building or location, in the discretion of Fruit Heights City, may be discontinued if a backflow prevention assembly required by this section is not installed, tested and maintained, if a backflow prevention assembly has been removed or bypassed, or if an unprotected cross connection exists at the building or location. In addition, water service may be terminated to any building or location when the public works director or building official determines that the service connection's water usage constitutes a sufficient hazard or risk to the water supply or to the City water system. The City shall give reasonable notice to the customer and/or owner of the building or location of the termination of water service to a building or location, and where the consumer could not reasonably be so notified before termination, then notice shall be given promptly afterwards. Service will not be restored until such conditions or defects are corrected to the requirement of this section and the satisfaction of the City.

(f) Recordkeeping: Officers and employees of the Public Works Department and the Building Department shall report all installations of backflow prevention devices, assemblies and methods of cross connection correction installed by or communicated to them to the Public Works Director. The public works director shall maintain or cause to be maintained an inventory of all said assemblies, as well as test and repair records on all such assemblies, and shall be responsible for notifying customers of annual testing requirements or other enforcement requirements.

(g) Omission Not Waiver: The omission to specify or enumerate in this section those provisions of general law applicable to all cities shall not be construed as a waiver of the benefits of any such provisions.

9A-01-390. Sprinkling Vehicles.

Sprinkling vehicles or other vehicles hauling water shall be regulated and controlled by the Public Works Director.

9A-01-410. Sprinklers.

It shall be unlawful to use water from more than one outlet at a time for irrigation purposes from each regular connection, and then only through a nozzle or other sprinkling device, which shall not be larger than one-fourth of an inch in diameter; provided, however, that with the permit of the city council and subject to the rules and regulations, regular underground or surface sprinkling systems having more than one water outlet may be installed for lawns.

(a) Exceptions. The following exceptions apply to the preceding paragraph.

(1) new lawns that require frequent irrigation for establishment purposes within ninety (90) days of planting;

(2) short cycles required for testing, inspecting, and maintaining sprinkler systems;

(3) properties currently being used for agricultural purposes; and

(4) other situations as specifically permitted by the city.

(b) Restrictions. If you qualify for one of the above exceptions, the following restrictions apply:

(1) Watering of lawns and landscapes with sprinklers is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.;

(2) Sprinklers shall be adjusted to water the intended lawn and landscapes while avoiding wasteful watering of sidewalks, driveways, and similarly impermeable surfaces.

(3) Each sprinkler cycle shall be limited in such a way as to avoid oversaturation of the intended lawn or landscape. The point of oversaturation is reached when water is running off of the intended lawn or landscape and into the streets or gutters.

9A-01-420. Extensions.

(a) Permit Required: It shall be unlawful for any person to make any extension of any pipe or water fixture attached to the waterworks system for any purpose whatever without first obtaining a permit from the water department. Within twenty-four (24) hours after the completion of any plumbing work connected with the waterworks system, the same must be reported to the city.

(b) Application: Any person desiring to have the water mains extended and being willing to pay the whole expense of such extension, as hereinafter provided, may make application to the city council by petition containing a description of such proposed extension, accompanied by a map showing the location thereof, which petition shall also contain an offer to pay the whole expense of making the same as said expense shall be certified to by the city.

(c) Cost Of Extensions To Be Furnished By City Engineer: Upon receipt of such petition and map, and before the petition is granted, the city council shall obtain from the city engineer a certified statement showing the whole cost and expense of making such extension.

(d) Performance Bond Deposited With City Treasurer: If the city council shall grant said petition, before any work shall be done on such extension, and within thirty (30) days, or such other

time as the city council shall indicate, after the granting thereof, a performance guarantee bond in the amount of one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the cost and expense of making such extension as certified by the city council shall be deposited with the city treasurer.

(e) Extensions May Be Master Metered: When an extension supplying more than one house is connected to the city water mains, the city may require a master meter to be installed near the point where the connection is to be made to the city main. This installation will be at the expense of the persons served by such extension according to the regular rates for meter installation. Responsible parties must agree to pay all bills for water served through said meter at the meter rates provided in this chapter.

9A-01-430. Penalty.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a class B misdemeanor.