

ORDINANCE NO. 178A

INTRODUCED BY COMMISSIONER H. E. BOWEN

An Ordinance establishing the Rules and Regulations for the Water Department of the City of Warrenton, and all points served by the City water Department outside of the City limits of the City of Warrenton, fixing and determining rates to be charged for services rendered by the water department, and providing a penalty for the violation of any of the terms and conditions of this ordinance, and repealing ordinance number 13A and any or other ordinance or ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith.

The City of Warrenton does ordain as follows:

Section I

Applications for the use of water must be made on printed forms, to be furnished by the Water Office signed by the owner, lessee, or agent and the applicant must state fully and truly all purposes for which the water may be required, and must agree to conform to the rules and regulations as conditioned for the use of water.

Section II

Any person supplied with water from the City main will not be entitled to use it for any purpose other than stated in his, her or their application, or to supply in any way other persons or families not mentioned in the said application.

Section III

Should the owner, lessee or agent of the premises desire an additional faucet or fixture, for any purpose not stated in the original application, a new application must first be made and a permit obtained at the Water Office, when a permit for renewal of change of service is granted. The Water Superintendent or his duly authorized representative must shut off and disconnect the old service at the main.

Section IV

When permission has been granted for an introduction of water, a water cock or tap shall be inserted in the main. For dwellings of ordinary size or any building requiring family service the tap will be 5/8-inch in diameter and shall be installed by an employee of the Water System, and shall connect with a 3/4-inch galvanized service pipe, which shall extend from the tap in the main to the property line, each service line shall be supplied with a stop-cock or curb-cock of approved type and material approved by the City; and shall be placed in a position which shall be designated by the Water Superintendent.

All connections, curb cocks and pipes which may be used from the tap to the property lines will remain the property of the City, and it shall be unlawful for any person to interfere therewith. The charge for the tapping including material used shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00), payable to the City Auditor at the time the application is filed. Any tap applied for which is to be larger than the original 5/8-inch service tap must be approved by the

Water Superintendent and special rates granted by the Commission. At no time shall the Water Superintendent or an employee of the Water Department insert a tap until the applicant shall have filled his application in the Water office.

#### Section V

Service pipes within the premises throughout its entire length from the curb cock must be kept in repair and protected from freezing at the expense of the owner, lessee or agent, who must be responsible for all damages resulting from leaks or breaks, and the water will be shut off from those who fail to repair such lines, when notified by the Water Superintendent. A stop and curb cock protection from frost must in all cases be placed in a convenient location by which the pipe in the building may be drained at night or when the tenants are absent in freezing weather. If the building is not provided with a basement, stop and curb cocks must be placed near the outside wall.

#### Section VI

Should it be desirous to discontinue the use of water for any special purpose whether bathtub, water closet or other fixtures or by hose connections for yard or sidewalk sprinkling, window or porch washing, or for any other purpose the branch pipe supplying water for fixtures not used must be disconnected and stopped with a metallic plug or cap, and all faucets or hose connections must be properly sealed, and notice given at the Water Office before any reduction will be made in rates.

#### Section VII

Should it be desirous to discontinue the use of all water supplied to the premises for a period of not less than one (1) month notice in writing must be given and payment of all arrears (if any there be) made at the Water Office. The water will then be turned off and turned on again on application without charge, but no remission of rates will be made for a period of less than One (1) month, or without notice as prescribed in this section.

#### Section VIII

Service pipes must be so arranged that a supply to each separate house or premises may be controlled by separate stop cocks placed near the curb or property lines, and one person must pay for all the water used for his or her own use, or for the use of others to whom it may be accessible. Hereafter a separate service direct to the tap in the main will be required for each house that is to be supplied with water, provided that when there are two (2) houses on one lot, the service may be divided at the curb and separate stop cocks provided for each place to be supplied, the owner, lessee or agent to pay the cost of extra material, if any, to be used by the Water Superintendent in putting in service in this manner.

#### Section IX

Where water is now supplied through one service to several houses or families the Water Superintendent may at his discretion either decline to furnish the water until separate service is provided or may continue the supply on the condition that one person shall pay for all water supplied for the several houses or dwellings.

Section X

Water will not be furnished where there are defective or leaky faucets or other fixtures, or where there are toilets or urinals without self-closing valves, or tanks without self-acting float valves, and when such may be discovered the water supply will be withdrawn if repairs are not made upon notification by the Water Superintendent. In order to prevent freezing water must not be allowed to run to waste through any faucet or fixture nor shall it be kept running at any time longer than it is absolutely necessary in its proper use.

Section XI

No plumber or any person will be allowed to make connections with the City main or to make alterations in any conduit, pipe or other fixture connected therewith, or to connect the pipes when they have been disconnected or to turn water off on the premises without the written consent of the Water Superintendent.

Section XII

The water may at any time be shut off at the main or in any service line between the property line and the main, without notice, for repairs or other necessary purposes and the City of Warrenton shall not be held responsible for damages on account thereof. Water for a steam boiler for power purposes will not be furnished by direct pressure from the City main. Tanks for holding an ample supply and (or) reserve of water shall be provided by the owners of the boilers. While water is temporarily shut off from the mains the hot water faucets should be kept open by the occupants of the premisses, to allow the steam to escape from the water heaters.

Section XIII

The Water Superintendent or his agents may have free access at proper hours to all parts of the buildings and premises into which the water may be delivered from the City mains for the purpose of inspecting the condition of the pipes, fixtures (meters if any) and the manner in which the water is used.

Section XIV

All persons intending to use water through hose for sprinkling purposes must first file a written application in the Water Office before commencing to use the water for such purpose. The annual charge for sprinkling shall be the sum of two (\$2.00) Dollars, and it shall be paid at the time of filing of the application in the Water Office.

The right to the use of water for sprinkling purposes shall be used in the manner as hereinafter provided, and said sprinkling privileges shall only be granted under the conditions as hereinafter set forth. The right to cancel all applications or to refuse the use of water for sprinkling purposes is reserved by the City Commission. Street sprinkling by hose is absolutely forbidden, shortage of water or a refusal to comply with the rules and regulations concerning the use of water shall be deemed sufficient reason for the refusal to furnish water.

. Section XV

Pipes only to be used in case of fire will be allowed within buildings on the following conditions: Fire Protection pipes must be entirely disconnected from those used for any other purposes. The City Commission may require a meter of an approved pattern to be furnished, installed and maintained by the owner, lessee or agent thereof, and all connections thereto must be made by the Water Superintendent in the same manner as all the other connections and the charge therefor will be the actual cost of labor and material furnished.

Section XVI

The Water Superintendent, subject to the approval of the City Commission is hereby authorized to furnish water in places outside of the City boundaries in all cases, where it will not effect the City water supply and to charge therefore the rate fixed by this ordinance or as otherwise herein provided.

Section XVII

The Water Superintendent shall have the right at any time to attach a meter to, or to detach a meter from any service pipe and such a place only as he shall deem best, or as may be ordered by the City Commission; and where water is supplied through meters to charge for the quantity of water used or measured at the regular established meter rates in this Ordinance, and whenever a meter gets out of order and fails to register accurately the charge shall be according to the average quantity used daily as shown by the meter during the preceding month or months.

All meters except such as are furnished by the water users shall be and remain the property of the City and may be removed at any time the Water Superintendent may desire to do so.

Section XVIII

It shall be the duty of each and every plumber or other person to make a report in writing, and to file a written report of all connections, attachments and extensions as shall hereafter be made by him, said report shall be made within three (3) days after the same shall have completed, giving the location of the premises, name of the owner, number of faucets, bath tubs, toilets, fountains, hose and other connections with the mains and pipes of the water system.

Consumers are hereby prohibited from causing or permitting water to run or to be discharged through pipes or faucets in any house, building or lot, owned or occupied by such consumer in excess of the quantity actually necessary for domestic sprinkling or other lawful purposes, and it shall be the duty of any person to whom water is supplied by the City of Warrenton, to notify the Water Superintendent of any break or leak in any fixture or water service pipe in such house, building or on any lot or property. Tinkering with water hydrants or the removal of any fire plugs is hereby prohibited.

Section XIX

The foregoing rules and regulations must be strictly complied with in every instant and fixed water rent must be paid in

advance on or before the 10th day of each and every month in accordance with the schedule of water rates hereinafter specified, all former laws and regulations in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SCHEDULE OF FLAT WATER RATES

Doctors' offices	\$ 1.00
Dental offices	1.25
Dental offices with water motor	2.50
Drug Stores	1.25
Family Rates	1.25
Family rates with toilet and bath	1.75
Family rates, each additional family same as first family.	
Hose connections for sprinkling, space 50x100 including space occupied by building or dwelling is governed by Section 14 and is \$2.00 for each yr.	2.00
Hotels in addition of family rate	1.25
Each room of one bed only	.10
Each additional room	.10
Plumbing shop	1.25
Printing offices	1.25
Soda Fountains	1.25
Stores, groceries, hardware, etc.	1.25
Telegraph Offices	1.25

All other persons desiring water shall obtain a rate, to be set and fixed by the City Commission by Resolution, authorizing the special rate for said user.

It is expressly understood that the rates herein fixed shall be for the ordinary use of water by said users, and that the family rates fixed herein shall only include the use of water necessary in the family home, saving and excepting the right of sprinkling as herein provided, and that where families are using water not only in their homes, but for the purpose of irrigation or furnishing water for garden tracts, livestock etc. that such persons must apply for and receive a special rate to be fixed by the City Commission as herein provided, or in lieu thereof to install a meter of such standard as shall be designated by the City Commission at their own expense and pay for the use of water on the water meter rates as hereinafter fixed. The rates herein fixed are subject to change by vote of the City Commission by Resolution, and the said Commission reserves the right to revise or repeal or amend the rules and regulations for the water users and the schedule of water rates.

Should the water rent not be paid on or before the 15th day of the month, a penalty of twenty-five (25¢) cents will be attached, and in the event the water should be turned off, a fee of one (\$1.00) Dollar will be charged for turning it on again.

SCHEDULE OF WATER METER RATES

First 1,000 gal. or any part thereof		\$ 1.00
Next 2,000 gal. per one thousand gal.	.50	2.00
Next 2,000 gal. per one thousand gal.	.40	2.80
Next 5,000 gal. per one thousand gal.	.35	4.55
Next 10,000 gal. per one thousand gal.	.30	10.55
Next 20,000 gal. per one thousand gal.	.25	15.55

Next 20,000 Gal. per one thousand gal.	.20	\$19.55
Next 30,000 Gal. per one thousand gal.	.15	24.05
Next-All over 100,000 gal. per thous. gal.	.10	

There shall be no special rates made to any one other than the rates above stated, where meter rates are used, provided that nothing herein shall prevent the City Commission from fixing a flat rate for the use of water, without meter.

Water users outside the City limits, who purchased water on water meter rates, will be charged one and one-half times the meter rates for water used inside the City limits, and the above rates set forth are the rates fixed for water within the City limits of the City of Warrenton.

Where two or more families are served with water through one meter, the minimum rate for each family shall not be less than One (\$1.00) Dollar per month. The owner must report the number of people served by each meter on or before the first of the month following the month in which water was consumed, otherwise, the owners will be billed and must pay for the minimum applying to the maximum occupancy.

No water charge on meter rates shall be less than One (\$1.00) Dollar per month.

Property owners will be held responsible for water rates as well as the tenants.

All meters installed by the direction of the City Commission or Water Superintendent shall be subject to inspection by the Water Superintendent or his duly authorized agent at such time as they may deem advisable and any expense and repair of said meter shall be paid by the water user.

#### Section XX

All persons or parties in the City of Warrenton, who are using water under meter rates and residing within the City limits of the City of Warrenton are hereby given the privilege of using said Water for the purpose of sprinkling between April 1st and October 1st of each and every year at a charge of three (\$3.00) Dollars for each 40,000 gallons or fraction thereof used for such purposes, the first 40,000 gallons to be paid for in advance at the time the application is made for such privilege, said sprinkling privilege shall be only given to those people, using water under meter rates for the purpose of sprinkling their lawns, which shall be limited to a space of 50x100 including the space occupied by the user as his dwelling, and shall be governed and regulated as is provided in Section 14 of this ordinance.

The 40,000 gallons of water to be used for sprinkling purposes shall be determined in the following manner, to-wit: The amount of water used by persons or parties for a period from the meter reading date in January, 1935 to and including the meter reading date in April, 1935 on the premises upon which said sprinkling privileges are to be used, shall be totalled and the monthly average thereof shall be determined and such monthly average shall be the amount for which said water users shall pay the City of Warrenton during the sprinkling season, upon the present established meter rates, in addition to such additional meter charges.

The Auditor and Police Judge <sup>he</sup> and <sup>his</sup> is hereby authorized and empowered to prescribe all reasonable regulations for carrying out the purposes and intent of the special sprinkling priv-

ileges.

Section XXI

Any persons using water belonging to the City of Warrenton other than herein provided or violate any of the terms and conditions of the within ordinance, shall upon conviction by the Auditor and Police Judge be punished by a fine of not more than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars or by imprisonment in the City Jail of not more than twenty-five (25) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Auditor and Police Judge.

Section XXII

Ordinance 13-A and any and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed by the City Commissioners of the City of Warrenton this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1935.

Approved by the Mayor this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1935.

Attest:

G. Clifford Barlow  
Auditor and Police Judge

W. N. Francis  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WARRENTON

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