

GENERAL REQUIRMENTS FOR WATER SERVICE BY OAK GROVE WATER USERS ASSOCIATION

To preserve and protect its water system, the Oak Grove Water Users Association will require ownership of three (3) acres or more to obtain a water tap, with the provision that the water board may deny any request for water that it determines would have a negative impact on the system as a whole. These requirements are meant to replace all previously existing requirements that are in conflict.

Water Service for Subdivisions.

Definition of Subdivision.

A subdivision as herein contemplated shall be defined as the subdividing or proposed dividing by a common, or common owners, in concert, propose to divide the tract into three or more lots or parcels, for residential, business, or commercial purposes, or a combination thereof, all of which lots or parcels shall contain at least three (3) acres, as a uniform plan of development.

Preliminary Plat Required.

Whenever subdividing of property is contemplated a preliminary plat shall be submitted to the Oak Grove Water Users Association for review and consideration in setting any requirements for the furnishing of water service to such subdivision. Such plat shall, as a minimum, contain the following information:

- 1. Subdivision Name, city, county and state.
- 2. Subdivision limits and boundaries.
- 3. Legal Description.
- 4. Total acres of the subdivision.
- 5. Total lots, plots, or other units to be included in the subdivision, and the proposed type use of each.
- 6. Names and addresses of owners, developers, registered engineers and registered engineer seal.
- 7. Names of adjacent subdivisions.
- 8. Perimeter property owners identified.
- 9. Vicinity map to a reasonable scale, reflecting locations of streets, utility easements, and location of abutting streets, developments and utility easements.
- 10. Topography of subdivision on 2-foot contour intervals.
- 11. All physical features of the area present and proposed, including parks, lakes, commercial areas, etc.
- 12. Date of the document preparation and acceptance.
- 13. Plat Scale.
- 14. North Arrow.
- 15. Location of platted, or existing streets, right-of way, alleys, railroad or other public ways, utility easements, public utility lines, including sewers (storm and sanitary) water, gas, and power lines, together with accurate dimensions of each.

When Larger Than Existing Water Mains Are Required, or When Additional Water Mains Are Required for Proposed Subdivisions.

The expenses of enlarging or extending additional water mains for proposed subdivisions shall be the responsibility of the subdividers, including engineering, Health Department Review Fees, and construction expenses. No water service shall be made available until said improvements are made and inspected by an authorized representative of the Oak Grove Water Users Association.

Subdivisions Which Are to be Developed in Stages.

Where any subdivision is to be developed in stages, no water service shall be furnished to any stage of the Subdivision until such time as adequate arrangements, guarantees and bonds have been furnished to, and approved by, the Oak Grove Water Users Association, in which the subdivision may be developed in such stages as are agreed to, in writing, by the owners, developers, and the Oak Grove Water Users Association.

Regulations.

Should, at any time, any governmental agency, or supplier of water to the Oak Grove Water Users Association, by constitution, statute, ordinance, regulation, or other manner, enact, or adopt any regulation requirement or other enactment, adopt any regulation which is more stringent, or at variance with this document, this document shall be, without further action, amended to, at least, comply with such minimum requirement, but the requirements shall not be relaxed or replaced, if the other entity has such requirements which might be less than those of the Oak Grove Water Users Association. This provision shall apply not only with reference to subdivisions, but also to any and all users of the Oak Grove Water Users Association water services, or water.

Adopted by the Oak Grove Water Users Association on this 13 day of Oct. 2009.

Gene, Neidecker, Secretary

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STEVE DUFRESNE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES

RE:

Water Meter Installation and Sewage Disposal Approval Documentation Arkansas Department of Health's Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Water Systems

Sir/Madam:

A longstanding requirement contained in the Arkansas Department of Health's Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Water Systems (Regulations) concerns obtaining documentation of approval of sewage disposal and plumbing inspection prior to providing water service to a new building or residence. Section IV, F. "Plumbing Inspection and Sewage Disposal Required" of the Regulations requires that prior to a public water system providing service to a new building or residence, the customer must provide documentation to the water system that sewage disposal system has been approved and that a plumbing inspection has been performed and found to be in compliance.

Recently, there have been cases where water systems provided customers with water service even though sewage disposal had not been approved and no documentation provided to the water system. In some of these cases, the property in question was not suitable for sewage disposal and the property owner was left without the ability to obtain a sanitary sewage disposal system. This can result in significant economic loss to those who get "the cart before the horse".

Public water systems can assist their customers in keeping "the horse before the cart" by requiring customers to show documentation of sewage system approval and plumbing inspection prior to providing water service. The requirement to do so is contained in the Regulations and failure to comply with the regulations will result in the water system being cited for a violation.

The Arkansas Department of Health values the positive working relationship that it has with public water systems and is appreciative of the efforts that water systems make in complying with this requirement and assisting customers in making sure they have necessary approvals.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 501-661-2171.

Sincerely.

Cc:

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Chief, Environmental Health Branch Arkansas Department of Health

Jeff Stone, Director, Engineering Section, Arkansas Department of Health

b) Temporary Construction Service

Temporary service for construction purposes, in unsewered areas, may be provided only after compliance with Section XIV. F. 1, above.

XV. RETURN OF COOLING WATER

The return of heating or cooling water to a potable water storage reservoir or distribution system is prohibited.

XVI. CROSS CONNECTIONS

Any physical connection is prohibited whereby a public water system whether community or non-community, is connected to an unsafe or questionable water supply system either inside or outside of any building or buildings.

A. Prohibited Services

Domestic water shall not be supplied to any device, equipment, or service connection which may permit the contamination of the water supply by backsiphonage or backflow. Provision of water service to any service connection found to contain a cross-connection shall immediately be terminated, unless a backflow prevention device of a type approved by the Arkansas Department of Health is installed between the cross-connection and the public water system.

XVII. NOTIFICATION

A. Notification of Arkansas Department of Health

The owner shall report to the Arkansas Department of Health within the 48 hour time limit prescribed by the Arkansas Department of Health the failure to comply with any primary drinking water regulation including failure to comply with monitoring requirements. The owner is not required to report analytical results to the Arkansas Department of Health in cases where the analysis was performed by the Arkansas Department of Health Laboratory.

The owner shall report to the Arkansas Department of Health within four hours of the discovery and evaluation of any emergency condition located in the water system which affects the ability of the water system to deliver adequate quantities of safe water to its customers. Examples of such emergencies include loss of pressure in the distribution system, failure of the source or treatment facility or parts thereof, voluntary