

1 An ordinance revising Legislative Code Chapter 90 pertaining to deposits and charges for
2 hydrant use permits.

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4 THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL DOES ORDAIN:

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6 Section 1.

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8 That chapter 90 of Saint Paul Legislative Code is hereby amended as follows:

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10 **Chapter 90. – Water Code – Fire Hydrants**

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12 **Sec. 90.03. Cash deposit required.**

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14 Applicants to whom permits are granted shall be required to make a cash deposit
15 of ~~one thousand five hundred~~ dollars (\$~~500.00~~1,000.00) in advance. The deposit is for the
16 purpose of guaranteeing payment for water used, charges accrued and to cover any
17 breakage or damage to the fire hydrant or meter. Upon return of the equipment issued to
18 the permittee by the utility, said deposit, less charges against the permittee's account, will
19 be returned to the permittee.

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21 **Sec. 90.04. – Charges for hydrant use permitsrental.**

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23 (a) A charge of forty dollars (\$40.00) plus all applicable sales taxes shall be applied
24 ~~will be made~~ for each permit for each thirty-day period or fraction thereof. Such
25 charge is to cover the cost of permit administration.
- 26 (b) A charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) plus all applicable sales taxes for each thirty-day
27 period or fraction thereof shall be applied ~~will be made~~ for each hydrant used by
28 the permittee. Such charge is to cover the cost of inspection and ordinary wear
29 and tear on the hydrant.
- 30 (c) ~~In addition to the rental charge and any charge for breakage, a~~ A charge for the
31 volume of water plus all applicable sales taxes ~~charge will also~~ shall be applied
32 ~~made for all water used~~ according to the highest water ~~regular~~ consumption rate.
33 Measurement of water volume ~~used~~ shall be by use of the hydrant meter issued to
34 each permittee or by estimate if meter reading is unavailable or deemed inaccurate
35 by the water utility.
- 36 (d) Charges for the water service base fee and right-of-way recovery fees, and other
37 charges as may be established by city council plus all applicable sales taxes shall
38 be applied and shall not be less than those applied to any retail water account.
- 39 (e) If the water utility approves issuance of a hydrant permit during the period from
40 December 1 to April 1, an additional charge of thirty dollars (\$30.00) plus all
41 applicable sales taxes shall be applied ~~will be made~~ for each thirty-day period or
42 fraction thereof. Such additional charge is to compensate for the cost of
43 extraordinary inspection required when a hydrant is operated during winter
44 months.

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46 Section 2.

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48 All other sections of Chapter 90 shall remain unchanged.

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Section 3.

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This ordinance shall take effect and be in force January 1, 2014.