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Lateral Water Mains

The costs for lateral water mains shall be fully assessed 100% to the benefiting properties. Commercial, institutional, industrial and multiple land uses, and undeveloped lands are converted into equivalent residential units for assessment purposes.

Any building unit in a municipal urban service area (those areas guided for municipal sanitary sewer service) which is served directly by a trunk water main and therefore requires no lateral water main, is levied a lateral benefit assessment which is equal to 1.0 times the Watermain Lateral Benefit Charge as set in the latest adopted City Fee Schedule. The building unit must connect to the municipal water system within two years of the service being made available.

Any building unit outside of a municipal urban service area (those areas not guided for municipal sanitary sewer service) which is served directly by a trunk water main and therefore requires no lateral water main, is levied a lateral benefit assessment which is equal to 0.5 times the Watermain Lateral Benefit Charge as set in the latest adopted City Fee Schedule and a service stub shall be installed for the building unit. An additional 0.5 times the Watermain Lateral Benefit Charge shall be charged with the permit at the time of connection to the water system if the property chooses to make a connection. The later charge shall be made using the Watermain Lateral Benefit Charge as set in the latest adopted City Fee Schedule at the time of the connection.

The replacement of existing water mains and service lines within the right-of-way will not be assessed, but rather financed from the Water Reserve Fund or other funding sources identified by the City Council. Each property shall pay for the replacement of the service line on their private property, from the right-of-way to the building/home.