

SECTION 602.01. CONTROL AND SUPERVISION.

The Council shall have control and general supervision of all public sewers and service connections in the City, except for those matters that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, and shall be responsible for administering the provisions of this Chapter to the end that a proper and efficient City sewer system is maintained. The Council, at its discretion, may rely on the Superintendent to aid in the performance of its duties herein.

SECTION 603.01. UTILITY OWNERSHIP.

Ownership of all municipal utilities, plans, lines, mains, extensions and appurtenances thereto, shall be and remain in the City and no persons shall own any part or portion thereof. Provided, however, that private facilities and appurtenances constructed on private property are not intended to be included in municipal ownership.

SECTION 604.01. RIGHT OF ENTRY.

By applying for or receiving a municipal utility service, a property owner irrevocably consents and agrees that any City and Commission employee acting within the course and scope of employment may enter into and upon the private property of the property owner, including any dwelling and other buildings, at all reasonable times under the circumstances, in or upon which private property a municipal utility or connection therewith is installed, for the purpose of inspecting, repairing, reading meters, connecting or disconnecting the municipal utility service. Provided however, that, except in the case of emergency, before entering the property, the property owner shall be notified of the proposed entrance and, if the property owner refuses to permit the entrance into the interior of a building, the City employee must obtain an administrative search warrant.

SECTION 605.01. USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS.

Subd. 1. Treatment Required. It shall be unlawful to discharge to any natural outlet within the City or in any area under the jurisdiction of the City any sewage or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with this Chapter.

Subd. 2. Connection Required. Where the City sewer system is available to a property or building from which sewage is discharged, the owner of said property or building shall connect to the available City sewer system. If connection is not made pursuant to this Subdivision, the City may issue written notice to connect within 90 days. Said notice shall be served on the owner or an authorized agent of the owner or may be sent by mail to the owner's last known address. If the owner cannot be reached by mail so addressed, the City may serve the written notice upon the occupant. Pursuant to the authority conferred by Minnesota Statutes § 444.075, in addition to all other charges for tapping into or connection with the municipal sanitary sewer system, including fees for inspection of the connection, right-of-way permit, and other fees established by City Code or resolutions, no tap or other connection shall be installed, or made,