

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8 (PUBLIC UTILITIES) CHAPTER 1
(ELECTRICITY), ARTICLE C (ELECTRIC SERVICE RATES) and
CHAPTER 2 (MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER), ARTICLE C (WATER AND
SEWER RATES, CONNECTION CHARGES) OF THE NAPERVILLE MUNICIPAL
CODE**

SECTION 1: Chapter 1 (Electricity), Article C (Electric Service Rates) Title 8 (Public Utilities) of the Naperville Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding the underlined language and deleting the stricken language as follows:

~~12.1. An advance deposit shall be required for electric service for any applicant for a new account or from any customer whose account has been delinquent two (2) or more times within the preceding 24-month period or from any customer whose payment or draft to the City for electric service rendered has been returned for any reason, or from any customer whose electric service has been disconnected due to a delinquent utility bill.~~

~~12.2. For any new customer, said advance deposit shall be a minimum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) or an amount equal to the estimated charges for two (2)~~

- ~~months' electric service based on the usage of the previous customer at that electric service location, whichever is higher.~~
- ~~12.3. For a new electric service location, there shall be a minimum deposit of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). The Finance Department shall determine the amount of the required advance deposit for a new electric service location where the Department estimates that the bills for two (2) months' service at the new location will exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).~~
- ~~12.4. For applicants who own the premises for which a new account is to be established, the advance deposit shall be due and payable within five (5) days after service is first provided to the customer.~~
- ~~12.5. All such deposits shall be held by the City in a separate interest bearing account for a period of two (2) years. Interest shall be credited to the customer's account annually on April 30. Interest shall be computed by adding the federal funds rate in effect on the first day of each calendar month, as published in the "Wall Street Journal", and by dividing that sum by twelve (12) months to arrive at an annual rate of interest. Deposits shall be refunded during the month following twenty-four (24) consecutive months of service for any account during which time all payments have been received in a timely manner, and no more than one insufficient check or draft has been tendered by the customer to the City for payment of bills due.~~
- 12.1 All new electric customers shall be required to make a deposit with the City to their utility account prior to receiving electric service. Upon application for service, all new customers must indicate whether the service is being requested for property that is owned or rented. A new customer is defined as a person who does not have an existing utility account in "good standing" with the City of Naperville or a person who has had service reconnected after disconnection due to delinquent utility bill payments.
- 12.2 The new customer deposit shall be one hundred and fifty dollars for electric service (\$150.00) or an amount equal to two months of estimated charges based upon historical usage at that location, whichever is greater. For a new service location the minimum deposit shall be one hundred and fifty dollars for electric service (\$150.00), or an amount estimated to represent two (2) months of service if the estimate exceeds the minimum amounts. The finance department shall determine the amount of the required deposit where an estimate is used.
- 12.3 Utility deposits shall be credited to utility customers in "good standing" having had twenty-four (24) consecutive months with a minimum of twenty two (22) timely payments and no more than one payment or draft having been returned for insufficient funds. Utility deposits made for service to property identified to the city as rental or lease arrangements shall be held until account closure and then credited to any delinquency before a refund is issued. Utility deposits credited

shall be applied to the customer's next bill following the 24th consecutive month of timely payments. No deposits to current accounts shall be refunded directly to the customer until account closure.

- 12.4 All utility deposits shall be held by the city in a separate interest bearing account. Interest shall be credited to a customer's account annually on April 30. Interest shall be computed by adding the federal funds rate in effect on the first day of each calendar month, as published in the "Wall Street Journal", and by dividing that sum by twelve (12) months to arrive at an annual rate of interest.

SECTION 2: Chapter 2 (Municipal Water and Sewer), Article C (Water and Sewer Rates, Connection Charges) Title 8 (Public Utilities) of the Naperville Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding the underlined language and deleting the stricken language as follows:

8-2C-8: DEPOSIT:

~~An advance deposit shall be required for water/wastewater service for any applicant or from any customer whose account has been delinquent two (2) or more times within the preceding twenty four (24) months, or from any customer whose payment or draft to the City for water/wastewater service has been returned for any reason, or from any customer whose water/wastewater service has been disconnected due to a delinquent utility bill. For any new customer, said advance deposit shall be a minimum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or an amount equal to the estimated charges for two (2) months' water/wastewater service based upon the usage of the previous customer at that water/wastewater service location, whichever is higher. For a new water/wastewater service location, there shall be a minimum deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The Finance Department shall determine the amount of the required advance deposit for a new water/wastewater service location where the Department estimates that the bills for two (2) months' service at the new location will exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00).~~

- ~~1. For applicants who own the premises for which a new account is to be established, the advance deposit shall be due and payable within five (5) days after service is first provided to the customer.~~
- ~~2. All such deposits shall be held by the City in a separate interest bearing account for a period of two (2) years. Interest shall be credited to the customer's account annually on April 30. Interest shall be computed by adding the federal funds rate in effect on the first day of each calendar month, as published in the "Wall Street Journal", and by dividing that sum by twelve (12) months to arrive at an annual rate of interest. Deposits shall be refunded during the month following twenty-four (24) consecutive months of service for any account during which time all~~

~~payments have been received in a timely manner, and no more than one insufficient check or draft has been tendered by the customer to the City for payment of bills due.~~

1. All new water/wastewater customers shall be required to make a deposit with the City to their utility account prior to receiving any water/wastewater service. Upon application for service, all new customers must indicate whether the service is being requested for property that is owned or rented. A new customer is defined as a person who does not have an existing utility account in “good standing” with the City of Naperville or a person who has had service reconnected after disconnection due to delinquent utility bill payments.
2. The new customer deposit shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for water/wastewater service or an amount equal to two months of estimated charges based upon historical usage at that location, whichever is greater. For a new service location the minimum deposit shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for water/wastewater service or an amount estimated to represent two (2) months of service if the estimate exceeds the minimum amounts. The finance department shall determine the amount of the required deposit where an estimate is used.
3. Utility deposits shall be credited to utility customers in “good standing” having had twenty-four (24) consecutive months with a minimum of twenty two (22) timely payments and no more than one payment or draft having been returned for insufficient funds. Utility deposits made for service to property identified to the city as rental or lease arrangements shall be held until account closure and then credited to any delinquency before a refund is issued. Utility deposits credited shall be applied to the customer’s next bill following the 24th consecutive month of timely payments. No deposits to current accounts shall be refunded directly to the customer until account closure.
4. All utility deposits shall be held by the city in a separate interest bearing account. Interest shall be credited to a customer’s account annually on April 30. Interest shall be computed by adding the federal funds rate in effect on the first day of each calendar month, as published in the “Wall Street Journal”, and by dividing that sum by twelve (12) months to arrive at an annual rate of interest.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall be in full effect upon its passage and approval.

PASSED this 7th day of September, 2010.

AYES: HINTERLONG, KRAUSE, MILLER, WEHRLI, PRADEL, BOYAJIAN,
FIESELER, FURSTENAU

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: BRODHEAD

APPROVED this 8th day of September, 2010.

A. George Pradel
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk
Pam LaFeber, Ph.D.