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**8-1-1: UTILITY SERVICE AGREEMENT REQUIRED FOR EACH RESIDENCE**

Each residence receiving utility services from River Heights City is required to have a Utility Service Agreement on file with the City Office. (3-2018, 8-14-18)

**8-1-2: SECURITY DEPOSIT REQUIRED**

Any new customer application for water and utility service shall require the applicant or purchaser to make a security deposit as required by this chapter. (Res. 97-4, 5-13-1997)

**8-1-3: AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT**

The security deposit for each single-family dwelling unit, living unit or apartment shall be in such amount as established by resolution of the city council. (Res. 97-4, 5-13-1997; amd. 2005 Code)

**8-1-4: DUE DATE; DELINQUENCY**

Utility bills shall be due twenty five (25) days after the billing date. If a utility service applicant or purchaser defaults or become delinquent in payment for services of any utility bill for a period of more than ten (10) days after the due date, the city may discontinue service to said utility user. The city may apply as much of the security deposit as is necessary toward payment of the delinquent account. Interest shall accrue at the rate of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month, starting thirty (30) days after the billing date. (4-2013, 10-24-13)

**8-1-5: REFUND OF DEPOSIT**

The security deposit amount may be refunded after two (2) years of continuous service with a good credit record with the city. (Res. 97-4, 5-13-1997)

**8-1-6: CREDIT; RECONNECTION**

The city may not extend credit to any customer of city provided utilities for a period of more than ten (10) days after due date of the billing notice. If service is disconnected

because of nonpayment, it may not be restored until a new security deposit has been filed with the city and any outstanding balance is paid. There shall also be a fee in such amount as established by resolution of the city council for reconnecting to the city utility system. Exception may be made by the mayor or, by the council member in charge of utilities. (4-2013, 10-24-13)

**8-1-7: LANDLORD UTILITY SERVICE AGREEMENT**

Landlords are required to sign the River Heights Landlord Utility Service Agreement, as held in the River Heights City Office, for each property they rent in River Heights. (3-2018, 8-14-18)