

ORDINANCE NO. 2019 - 12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90 SECTION 90.04 ABANDONED CONNECTIONS

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Shenandoah, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 90.04 of the City Ordinance is amended as follows:

Section 90.04. ABANDONED CONNECTIONS. When an existing water service is abandoned or put on temporary hold pending redevelopment or a service is renewed with a tap in the main, all abandoned connections with the mains shall be turned off at the corporation cock and made absolutely watertight.

1. **DEMOLITION PERMIT.** A property owner shall obtain a signature from the Water Superintendent on the demolition permit when a structure with a water service line is to be demolished. The property owner will have 180 days to decide whether to keep or disconnect the vacant water line. If no response from the property owner has been received 30 days after the 180-day deadline then the water service will be considered abandoned and disconnected accordingly, and the property owner will be responsible for the costs.
2. **EXISTING ABANDONED/VACATED CURBSTOPS.** In the event an abandoned or vacated water service line and/or curb stop becomes defective, a nuisance, or is damaged, whether known or unknown, the current property owner shall be responsible for costs of the repairs. If the property owner fails to correct any problems, or in the event of an emergency, the City may address the problem and assess the costs thereof to the property owner.

Section 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Council this 10th day of September, 2019.

s/s Richard N. Hunt, Mayor

s/s Karla Gray, City Clerk/Treasurer