

CHAPTER 10

UTILITIES

SECTION 1: PRIVATE WATER WELLS

A. PERMIT REQUIRED

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to drill or attempt to drill any water well within the corporate limits of the City without a permit approved by the City Council.
- (2) The application for a water well permit shall include the location of the well; name, address, and telephone number of the owner; name, address, and telephone number of the driller; and a statement regarding the use of and necessity for the well.
- (3) The fee for a water well permit shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00).

B. CONDITIONS FOR PERMIT ISSUANCE

Prior to issuance of a permit, the City Council shall determine that a necessity and need for the well exists, that the well will be so located that there will be no danger of pollution from flooding or from insanitary surroundings, that the well will have no adverse effect on the public water system, and the well will be drilled with all material and equipment installed in accordance with standards recommended by the Texas Department of Health (TDH) for private water wells. Failure to comply with TDH standards shall result in revocation of the permit.

SECTION 2: BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED PRIOR TO ANY UTILITY CONNECTION

No utilities shall be connected to any property in the City by any person, firm, or corporation unless a building permit has been issued by the City.

SECTION 3: PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL FACILITIES REGULATED

A. PERMIT REQUIRED

It shall be unlawful to install or operate any private sewage disposal facility including septic tanks, injection wells, and treatment tanks until plans for such private sewage facilities have been approved by the City Building Official.

B. AREAS OF JURISDICTION

The provisions of this section shall apply to all of the area located within the corporate limits of the City, and to the extraterritorial jurisdiction thereof with reference to approval of subdivisions in extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City.

C. STANDARDS

All private sewage disposal facilities shall be constructed and operated in accordance with all applicable State Health Department and Texas Department of Water Resources rules and regulations regarding private sewage disposal facilities.