



Board of Aldermen Request for Action

MEETING DATE: 5/7/2024

DEPARTMENT: Finance

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution 1346, Approving a Water and Wastewater Leak Adjustment Request

REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:

Motion to approve Resolution 1346, approving a water and wastewater leak adjustment request for Lepe Construction in the amount of \$3,333.56.

SUMMARY: The City has received notice from Carlos Lepe with Lepe Construction, LLC, of a repaired water leak at an unoccupied residential property, and his request for a water leak adjustment. All requirements set forth in Ordinance 2989-18 have been met.

On or about March 28, 2024, the Utilities Division obtained electronic reads of water usage for the month of March. Those reads were uploaded to the billing system and staff was alerted to the accounts that had no, little or high usage.

Following the month of the March billing cycle, Lepe Construction, LLC had started the cycle with a read of 25 and finished the March cycle with a read of 8,031, which resulted in consumption of 800,600 gallons. This amount was more than twice the established monthly average. As required by Ordinance 2989-18, Lepe Construction, LLC has provided proof of repair/maintenance of the service line leak which caused the high usage during the March billing cycle.

If approved, the leak adjustment would issue a credit of \$3,333.56 to Lepe Construction, LLC's utility account.

PREVIOUS ACTION:

The Board has approved previous leak adjustments in this fiscal year when conditions have been met.

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

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FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Reduce utility revenues by \$3,333.56

ATTACHMENTS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution | <input type="checkbox"/> Plans |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Minutes |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Repair Documentation | |

RESOLUTION 1346

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER AND WASTEWATER LEAK ADJUSTMENT REQUEST FOR LEPE CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,333.56

WHEREAS, the City approved Ordinance No. 2989-18 amending Section 705.110 of the Code of Ordinances on February 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Lepe Construction, LLC, has notified the City of a water leak and is requesting a leak adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the conditions set forth in Section 705.110 of the Code of Ordinances as amended have been met; and

WHEREAS, the adjustment calculation set forth in 705.110 of the Code of Ordinances as amended has been determined to be \$3,333.56.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

A water and wastewater leak adjustment in the amount of \$3,333.56 shall be credited to account 03-000105-00 of commercial utility billing customer Lepe Construction, LLC.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Smithville, Missouri, the 7th day of May, 2024.

Damien Boley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Drummond, City Clerk



Water and Wastewater Leak Adjustment Request

Utility Customer Name: Lepe Construction, LLC

Utility Service Address: 708 Ridge Drive

Utility Account Number: 03-000105-00

The residential utility billing customer referenced above has notified City staff of a water leak and is requesting a leak adjustment. City staff has verified the water consumption of the month(s) in question is more than two (2) times the monthly average for this property, no other leak adjustment has occurred in the previous thirty-six (36) month period, covers a single event and repair receipts have been provided.

In accordance with the Leak Adjustment Ordinance No. 705.110, the Board of Alderman may consider a leak adjustment calculated to be \$3,333.56 at the Board of Alderman meeting on 5/7/2024.

Upon resolution by the Board of Alderman, I, CARLOS LEPE, shall make payment in full or make formal payment arrangements with City staff no later than ten days (10) following the Board of Alderman consideration. I understand that failure to do so will result in imposition of late fees and/or disconnection of service.


Customer's Signature

4-23-24
Date

Lepe Construction, LLC

6327 N. Oak Trafficway
Kansas City, MO 64118

City of Smithville
107 W. Main St.
Smithville, MO 64089

April 30th, 2024

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to inform you that as of April 30th, 2024, the water leak issue at 708 Ridge Dr, Smithville, MO. 64089 has been fixed by Lepe Construction, LLC and will no longer be a problem. This was a warranty job that was completed by Carlyle Plumbing, INC so there was no invoice or payment due.

Thank you, and if you have any questions regarding this matter, please call me at 816-365-1479.

Sincerely,

 4-30-24

Carlos Lepe
Lepe Construction
816-365-1479

CARLYLE PLUMBING, INC.

120 LODWICK LN

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO 64024

816-792-8228

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
4/26/2024	8714

Bill To
LEPE CONSTRUCTION P.O. BOX 902026 KANSAS CITY, MO 64190-2026



Ship To
708 RIDGE DR

Terms	Rep	P.O. Number	Due Date
			4/26/2024
Description			Amount
RUN INSPECTION CAMERA UNDER SLAB THROUGH WATER LINES TO SEARCH FOR LEAK FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A CUT IN A 3/4" LINE VIA CAMERA REQUIRING FLOOR TO BE CUT UP & WATER LINE EXPOSED TO CUT OUT & REPLACE Sales Tax			0.00
Thank you for your business!			Subtotal \$0.00
			Payments/Credits \$0.00
			Total \$0.00



Water and Wastewater Leak Adjustment Calculation

Utility Customer Name: **Lepe Construction**

Utility Service Address: **708 Ridge Drive**

Utility Account Number: **03-000105-00**

Breaking down key figures in Ordinance 2989-18(C), Adjustment Calculations

- The adjusted bill(s) shall charge the City's normal water rate on all water volume used up to two (2) times the average monthly water use for this property.

City's normal water rate (per 1,000 gallons): **\$10.40**
 Average monthly water usage for this property: **2,500 gallons**

- Adjusted bill(s) shall also charge the City's wholesale water rate on all water volume used greater than two (2) times the average monthly water use for this property.

City's wholesale water rate (per 1,000 gallons): **\$6.21**

- If the leak is inside the home, the wastewater bill(s) shall not be adjusted because the water volume used will have drained into the sanitary system of the home.
 If the leak is outside the home, the wastewater bill(s) will be adjusted to reflect the average monthly wastewater usage for this property.

City's normal wastewater rate (per 1,000 gallons): **\$8.84**
 Average monthly wastewater usage for this property: **2,500 gallons**
 Was the leak inside or outside the home: **outside**
 Was the wastewater billed winter average or actual usage: **winter average**

Calculating the adjustment amount using Ordinance 705.110(C), Adjustment Calculations

MONTH 1	
Original Water Bill Amount	
800,600 gallons @ 10.4 per 1,000 gallons =	8326.24
Adjusted Water Bill Amount	
5,000 gallons @ 10.4 per 1,000 gallons =	52.00
+ 795,600 gallons @ 6.21 per 1,000 gallons =	4940.68
	4992.68
Water Discount =	
	3333.56
Original Wastewater Bill Amount	
2,500 gallons @ 8.84 per 1,000 gallons =	22.10
Adjusted Wastewater Bill Amount	
2,500 gallons @ 8.84 per 1,000 gallons =	22.10
Wastewater Discount =	
	0.00

MONTH 2 (if applicable)	
Original Water Bill Amount	
0 gallons @ 10.4 per 1,000 gallons =	0.00
Adjusted Water Bill Amount	
0 gallons @ 10.4 per 1,000 gallons =	0.00
+ 0 gallons @ 6.21 per 1,000 gallons =	0.00
	0.00
Water Discount =	
	0.00
Original Wastewater Bill Amount	
0 gallons @ 8.84 per 1,000 gallons =	0.00
Adjusted Wastewater Bill Amount	
0 gallons @ 8.84 per 1,000 gallons =	0.00
Wastewater Discount =	
	0.00

Total Discount = 3,333.56

Updated with 11/1/2023 Rates