Rule 2 - Public Water Supply System

- A. The public water supply system of the City of Newark, including all water mains, laterals, valves, hydrants, meters, and services, is under the exclusive control of the Director of Public Service and his authorized agents and employees. Such control shall include all piping from the City mains to the point of ultimate consumption or where the City water is finally discharged freely at atmospheric pressure. Such control shall be governed by these rules and regulations and the water bylaws as adopted by the Director of Public Service.
- B. The Division of Water and Wastewater does not guarantee any fixed chemical quality, fixed pressure or continuous supply, but it will, in case of accident that will cause sudden change in quality, pressure or supply, endeavor to notify consumers affected thereby. Those using fixtures or equipment sensitive to change and receiving their supply direct from the City mains should have protective equipment, including but not limited to reserve supply tanks, alarms, pressure regulating valves for emergency cases, as no claims will be considered for damage of any nature whatsoever arising from such action.
- C. Whenever a break or leak occurs in a water main or water service line between the main and the curb box, the Division of Water and Wastewater will repair this at it's own expense as soon as possible. If a break or leak occurs between the curb box and the meter at any place upon the premises supplied, the water service line shall be repaired/replaced at the expense of the customer. If the Division of Water and Wastewater, in order to prevent excessive waste or substantial damage deems it to be an urgent and necessary action to shut off the water, such action will be taken. The City shall attempt to give notice to the customer and consumer. The customer must then make repairs/replacement before water service will be restored.
 - Prior notice through local media shall be given by the City where service shall be lost for more than eight hours as a result of routine or scheduled maintenance, so that consumers of water service may plan accordingly. If the loss of water service results from a water line break or other emergency circumstances, and is expected to, or does, last for more than four hours, the City shall give notice to service addresses affected by such loss of service by asking the local radio media to publicize the loss of service, the reason for it, and the expected date and time by which the City expects to restore service.
- D. Any person, firm or corporation having a connection to the public water supply system who permits wasting of public water from such connection either by unnecessary use, faulty piping, or negligence to prevent freezing or fails to prevent such wasting shall have, after personal notification, such connection turned off. The Director of Public Service or his designate may order water shut off without notice when such waste or leakage may cause public hazard or property damage.
- E. All replacements of service lines require the proper permit from the Health Department and an approved backflow preventer installed by the owner or a certified plumber. All plumbing shall be required to meet current plumbing codes before final approval by the plumbing inspector is granted.

Drawings WS-1, SD 800-WS-2, SD 800-WS-3, WS-12 available upon request.

Approved:

David Rhodes, Director of Public Service

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