City of Altura, Minnesota

Ordinance No. 24-01

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ALTURA CITY CODE CHAPTER 902 PUBLIC UTILITY CODE PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN AGRICULTRAL ZONED PROPERTIES.**

The City Council of the City of Altura, Minnesota does ordain:

**Section 1:** That the City of Altura hereby amends Chapter 902, section 401 of the Altura City Code, which shall read as follows (new material is underlined; deleted material is ~~lined out~~; sections and subsections which are not proposed to be amended are omitted):

**SECTION 902.401: RESIDENCES AND CERTAIN BUILDINGS MUST CONNECT TO CITY WATER SYSTEM**

A new residence or a building requiring the provision of water service for the use of its occupants that is located within five hundred (500) feet of any municipal water main must connect to the municipal water system at the time of completion of construction new, remodel or expansion of the residence or building.

The connection required by this section must be made within 90 days of written notice from a duly authorized employee of the City. If an owner of a residence or building required to be connected to the City’s water system fails to do so when required, the owner may thereafter be required to pay to the City a monthly fee in an amount set by ordinance or resolution of the City Council until the connection is made.

Every parcel of land required to connect to the water and sewer system by this Chapter shall have its own independent water and sewer connection and meter, except as provided herein. Parcels of land containing multiple dwelling units, as defined by Section 901.202 of the Code, shall be required to have a separate and independent water and sewer connection and meter for each dwelling unit. A duly authorized employee of the City shall determine the number of connections required on each parcel within the City, consistent with these regulations.

For the purposes of this Chapter and Section, the following class of properties shall be exempt from any mandatory water connection requirements: properties within City limits which are zoned as Agricultural land, totaling at least 100 acres in size, and which are actively being used for agricultural purposes.

**Section 2.** This Ordinance shall take effect and shall be in force thirty (30) days from and after its adoption, approval, and publication.

 Passed and approve this 13th date of February, 2024

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Mayor City Clerk