

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2023-04A

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEISER, ARKANSAS AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-04 SECTION 2 EXCLUSIONS BY THE ADDITION OF SUBSECTION (c).

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER SERVICES UP TO THE PROPERTY LINES OF ALL RESIDENCES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF KEISER FOR NEW ADDITIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Keiser recognizes the importance of ensuring that all its residents have accessible and reliable water and sewer services;

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the community to provide water and sewer connections up to the property lines of residences within the city limits for new additions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEISER:

SECTION 1. PROVISION OF SERVICES

(a) The City of Keiser shall provide and extend water and sewer services to the property of each new addition to a residence located within the city limits of Keiser.

(b) This service shall include the necessary infrastructure, including but not limited to pipes, valves, and connection points, to facilitate the connection of a residence to the city's water and sewer systems.

SECTION 2. EXCLUSIONS

(a) Existing connections to residences that are already serviced by the city's water and sewer systems prior to the effective date of this ordinance are excluded and shall not be affected by this ordinance.

(b) Service lines connecting existing homeowners' properties to the main sewer system shall remain the sole responsibility of the homeowner. This includes any necessary maintenance, repair, replacement, or other costs associated with these service lines. The City of Keiser will not be responsible for these service lines.

(c) New subdivisions developed after the effective date of this ordinance shall be excluded from the provisions of Section 1. The responsibility to provide and extend water and sewer services to these subdivisions, including the necessary infrastructure such as pipes, valves, and connection points, shall be borne by the developer and not the City of Keiser.

SECTION 3. CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Property owners seeking to connect new additions to the city's water and sewer services shall be responsible for any work and costs associated with connecting their property from the property line to their residence.

(b) Property owners shall follow the city's procedures and guidelines for connections, including obtaining the necessary permits and ensuring that the work is performed according to the city's standards.

SECTION 4. FUNDING AND IMPLEMENTATION

(a) Funding for this project shall be allocated from water and sewer budget.

(b) The City's Department of Public Works, or such other designated department, shall be responsible for the planning, coordination, and implementation of this project.

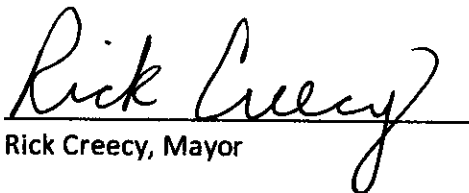
SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY

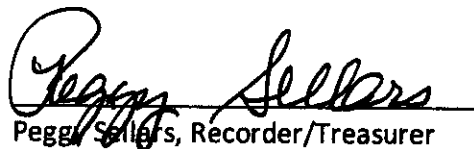
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance.

SECTION 6: EMERGENCY CLAUSE

In accordance with Section 14 of the Arkansas Constitution, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. Therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 20th day of November 2023.


Rick Creecy, Mayor


Peggy Sellers, Recorder/Treasurer