



**BYLAW NO. 12-07
OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**BEING A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRATHMORE FOR THE
REGULATION, SUPPLY AND MANAGEMENT RESPECTING WATER UTILITY
SERVICES**

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended, provides that Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes, including public utilities, services provided by or on behalf of the municipality, and the enforcement of bylaws including the creation of offences and penalties;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

PART I – TITLE

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the “Water Utilities Bylaw.”

PART II – DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS

2. For purposes of this Bylaw, the following definitions shall apply:
 - (a) “Application” means a written request made by a Consumer to the Town after the construction and installation of a Service Connection line for the supply of water to a Premise, and a written or verbal request to establish a Utility Billing Account in that Consumer’s name;
 - (b) “Approved” or “Approval” or “Authorized” means written approval from the CAO
 - (c) “Authorized Person” means any employee of the Town authorized by the Town’s administration, or any such person appointed by the CAO;
 - (d) “Backflow” means the flowing back or reversal of the normal direction of flow in the Water System;
 - (e) “Backflow Prevention System” means a mechanical device specifically designed, constructed, and Approved for the control and prevention of Backflow;
 - (f) “Billing Period” means every month for which the Town assesses its Utility Services; (Amended Bylaw No. 13-03)

- (g) “Bulk Water” means water as provided through the code-operated facility located at the public work shop for the sale of potable water on a bulk basis;
- (h) “By-Pass Valve” means the valve on the water piping that by-passes the water Meter;
- (i) “Canadian Standards Association” or “CSA” means the not-for-profit membership-based association serving businesses, industries, government and consumers in Canada and the global marketplace, which addresses public safety and health;
- (j) “c.c.” or “Service Curb Cock” means a Shut-Off valve located on the Service Connection between the Water Main and the structure or improvement receiving water service, for the purpose of isolating the Utility Service from a parcel of land;
- (k) “Chief Administrative Officer” or “CAO” means the Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Strathmore, or his/her designate;
- (l) “Combined Service” means a Service Connection used or intended to be used to supply water for fire protection, as well as potable water for purposes other than fire protection;
- (m) “Consumer” means the registered owner, purchaser, occupant or other person in charge of the land or building to which water is being supplied by the Town, and in whose name a Utility Billing Account has been established. “Consumer” also includes any Person who has entered into an agreement with the Town for Utility Services;
- (n) “Council” means the Council of the Town of Strathmore;
- (o) “Cross Connection” means a physical connection (temporary or permanent) between a waterline and another pipe whereby the drinking water is permitted to mix with liquids or solids and thus has potential to become contaminated;
- (p) “Developer’s Agreement” means the agreement between the land developer and the Town that outlines the obligations for developing the land to the occupancy stage;
- (q) “Disconnect Tag” means a tag hung on the door of a Premise notifying the registered owner that the Water Services will be Shut-Off or amount owing will be transferred to the associated Tax Roll account, if full payment of the Outstanding Utility Bill is not received prior to the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter; (Amended Bylaw No. 13-03)

- (r) “Due Date” means for consumers on Route “A” the 10th of every month; for consumers on Route “B” the 25th of every month. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- (s) “Emergency” means a situation in which there is imminent danger to public safety or of serious harm to property, over which a Consumer has no control;
- (t) “Extended Period of Time” means the length of time a Consumer requests Water Services be Shut-Off, and which time is longer than fourteen (14) calendar days;
- (u) “Final Notice Letter” means the letter the Town sends to a Consumer whose Utility Bill remains unpaid as at the last business day for Route “A”; the 15th of the month following the due date for Route “B”, which notifies the Consumer of the following: (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
 - (i) For a Premise that is occupied by the registered owner:
 - (a) That in the event any Outstanding Utility Bill is not paid by the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter, the CAO is authorized to Shut-Off the Water Services to that Premise; and
 - (b) That any outstanding amount on the Outstanding Utility Bill may be collected in the same manner as municipal taxes, and in accordance with this Bylaw. If any outstanding amount is transferred to the tax roll, a charge will be applicable without further notice, in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
 - (ii) For a Premise that is occupied by a Person who is not the registered owner:
 - (a) That in the event any Outstanding Utility Bill is not paid by the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter, any outstanding amount on the Outstanding Utility Bill may be collected in the same manner as municipal taxes, and in accordance with this Bylaw. If any outstanding amount is transferred to the tax roll, a charge will be applicable without further notice, in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.

- (v) “Flex Net Smart Point M2 or “MXU” means a radio receiver that provides reading access to water measurement on Meters, and provides the necessary support to the device diagnostics via radio signal. This device may be used for reading as a walk-by or drive-by;
- (w) “Garbage Services” means the collection and disposal of residential waste at Town designated disposal sites pursuant to the Town’s responsibility to comply with the environmental, regulatory, public health and permit requirements and guidelines;
- (x) “Irrigation Services” means the irrigation water provided to a Consumer’s Premise by the Town from the irrigation Water Main;
- (y) “Low-flow Plumbing Fixture” means, as applicable, a toilet with a capacity of not more than six (6) litres (1.6 U.S. gallons) per flush, or a showerhead with a flow capacity of not more than nine and one-half (9.5) litres (2.5 U.S. gallons) per minute;
- (z) “Meter” means a water measuring device approved by the Town that meets the American Water Works Association standard for potable water meters, and includes the individual, and all other equipment and instruments supplied and used by the Town to calculate and register the amount of water consumed relative to the land and buildings the meter is designed to monitor;
- (aa) “Meter Room” means a self-contained unit that houses a Meter and metering equipment;
- (bb) “Monthly System Charge” means a levy comprised of the following:
 - i) A monthly Water Maintenance Levy, as determined by the Town, funds operational costs of the potable (treated) water distribution system and capital expenditures for rehabilitation of the existing system;
 - ii) A monthly Water Conveyance Levy to the City of Calgary for the delivery of water to the Town of Strathmore, as assessed by the City of Calgary;
 - iii) A monthly Sanitary Sewer Charge, as determined by the Town, funds operational costs of tertiary wastewater treatment and distribution systems and capital expenditures for rehabilitation of the existing system; and

- iv) A release of storm water, pursuant to the Town's agreements with the Western Irrigation District ("WID").
- (cc) "Municipality" means the municipality of the Town of Strathmore;
- (dd) "Occupancy Permit" means written approval from the Town to occupy the Premise upon acceptance of final inspection from the Safety Codes Officer;
- (ee) "Outstanding Utility Bill" means any Utility Bill, or portion thereof, that is unpaid after the Due Date;
- (ff) "Peace Officer" includes any member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or a Town of Strathmore Bylaw Enforcement Officer, or a Peace Officer;
- (gg) "Person" means a partnership, firm, body corporate, individual, entity or other legal representatives of person to whom the context applies according to law;
- (hh) "Premise(s)" means any land, building, or both, or any part thereof, either occupied or unoccupied;
- (ii) "Private Fire Hydrant" means those hydrants not owned and maintained by the Town;
- (jj) "Remote Reader" or "Remote" means the device attached to the exterior of a building, or positioned on the interior of the building close to the meter enabling the Town to read water consumption without entering the building; (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- (kk) "Sanitary Sewer Services" means the Town's system for the collection, transmission, treatment and disposal of wastewater;
- (ll) "Service Connection" means the portion of pipe used to supply water from the Water Main to a building, or other place, on a parcel of land for the purpose of providing water to the parcel, and includes the pipe running up to the building, located on or within the exterior walls of the building, and running from exterior walls to couplings, stop-cocks, Meters and any other apparatus placed inside the building by the Town;
- (mm) "Security Fee" means the money that may be required to be paid to the Town by a Consumer as a form of guarantee against non-payment of a Consumer's Utility Billing Account;

- (nn) “Service Point” means the portion of the Water System that provides Water Services to the Premise, which includes the service saddle, standpipe, and service tap;
- (oo) “Street” means a public thoroughfare within the Town and includes, where the context so allows, the sidewalk and boulevards, and all parts set aside for a public thoroughfare, as appears in the Land Titles Office;
- (pp) “Shut-Off” means an interference with, or discontinuance of, the supply of water to a Premise;
- (qq) “Town” means the Town of Strathmore;
- (rr) “Town Engineering Standards” or “Town Standards” means the most current edition of the City of Calgary Utilities & Environmental Protection “*Design Guidelines for Development Permits & Development Site Servicing Plans,*” the City of Calgary Water Resources “*Standard Specifications Waterworks Construction.*” the “*National Plumbing Code of Canada*” and Alberta Environment’s “*Waterworks, Wastewater and Storm Drainage Systems*”;
- (ss) “Turn-On” or “Turned-On” means the turning on of the Water Services to a Premise after the Utility Service Application has been approved, or for the purpose of restoring service on an existing Utility Billing Account;
- (tt) “Utility Bill” means the invoice issued twelve (12) times per year, monthly, which sets out a Consumer’s charges for a Consumer’s Utility Services, and which may include penalties and arrears, if applicable; (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- (uu) “Utility Billing Account” means an account a Consumer sets up with the Town whereby a Consumer is charged maintenance charges and water usage for a stated period of time;
- (vv) “Utility Service(s)” means the water, sanitary sewer, storm, irrigation and garbage services provided by the Town;
- (ww) “Utility Service Termination” means a request made by a Consumer to discontinue a Utility Service being supplied by the Town;
- (xx) “Violation Tag” means a tag that is mailed to the Premise or hung on the door of the Premise notifying a Consumer that he/she is in violation of this Bylaw, and which requires the Consumer’s immediate attention;
- (yy) “Violation Ticket” means a ticket issued pursuant to Parts II and III of the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. P-34, as amended.*

- (zz) “Water Main” means those pipes installed for the conveyance of water within the Town to which Service Connections may be connected;
- (aaa) “Water Services” means the drinking water and wastewater services (including sewage treatment) to residential, commercial and industrial Premises provided by the Town;
- (bbb) “Water Supply System” means the portion of the water supply delivery system that is between the c.c. and the Meter, including the c.c., water shut-off valve and Meter;
- (ccc) “Water System” means the equipment, materials and property owned and operated by the Town for the provision of water to Consumers, and includes the Water Main and Service Connections, to and including the c.c., or if there is no c.c. then to the property line;
- (ddd) “Working Day” means the portion of day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday, inclusive, but does not include statutory holidays and holidays approved by Council.
- (eee) “Route A” is defined as the consumers south of Centennial Drive to Highway No. 1. This includes the areas of: Wildflower, Strathmore Lakes, Westmount, Downtown, Thorncliff, Green Meadow, Grande Point, Parkwood, Aspen Creek, Ranch Estates, and the Ranch,
(Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- (fff) “Route B” is defined as the consumers north of Centennial Drive and the South of Highway No. 1. This includes the areas of: Hillview, Strathaven, Brentwood, Maplewood, Crystal Ridge, Cambridge Glen, Glenwood, Orchard Business Park and Spruce Business Park.
(Amended Bylaw 13-03)

PART III – ADMINISTRATION

3. The Town shall supply Utility Services to a Consumer whose Application has been Approved, insofar as there is sufficient capacity and supply of water, upon such terms as Council considers advisable.
4. A Consumer is required to submit an Application for Approval to the Town with the applicable Security Fee, prior to using the Water System. A Consumer shall provide accurate information in regards to the Consumer’s Application and Utility Billing Account.

5. A Consumer who is indebted to the Town under a previous Utility Billing Account shall not be permitted to complete an Application, or be entitled to the supply of water, until payment in full of the indebted amount, deposit and Meter charge has been received by the Town.
6. No Person who resides in, occupies, or conducts business from a Premise located in the Town and situated on land lying along the Water Main shall have water supplied to that Premise by way of a well, spring or other source of water supply that is not connected to the Town's Water System.
7. The following applies to private water wells:
 - (a) No Person shall use any source of water to supply water to any residential, commercial, industrial or institutional Premise(s) through a plumbing system, other than the Water System, without the written consent of the CAO.
 - (b) The CAO may authorize the use of an alternate source of water subject to such terms and conditions as the CAO deems necessary, and notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing, the CAO may set a limit on the period of time for which an alternate supply of water may be used.
 - (c) No Person who has been granted permission by the CAO to use an alternate source of water shall allow that alternate source of water, or any pipes or devices connected to such alternate water source, to be connected to the Water System.
 - (d) The Town shall not be responsible for the quality of water obtained from any alternate source of water.
 - (e) Unless Authorized, no Person shall provide or supply water from one Premise, by pipe or hose or other means either with or without charge, to any other Premise(s).
8. It is the responsibility of the contractor and/or Consumer of the Premise to install a dual check valve backflow prevention device, in accordance with Town Standards, on any connection to the Water Main that requires said device. Further, any new Premise, whether commercial, industrial, residential or other, utilizing Town water must have a vacuum breaker device on all hose bibs as required by the Canadian Plumbing Code, as amended.
9. A Consumer, upon receipt of reasonable notice, shall, during normal business hours, allow free access to Authorized Persons to the Premise in which water is delivered and consumed, for the purpose of conducting sample testing, or for the installation, removal, replacement, inspection, repairing or reading of all Meters on

any Service Connection or appurtenance thereto, inside or outside of the Premise.
(Amended Bylaw 13-03)

10. Notwithstanding Section 9, if, in the opinion of an Authorized Person, entry during normal business hours would be inappropriate or impractical in the circumstances, the Authorized Person may give at least twenty four (24) hours' notice to the Consumer of the Authorized Person's intention to inspect outside of normal business hours for purposes set out in Section 9. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
11. Upon access to a Consumer's Premise, if asked by a Consumer, the Authorized Person shall provide appropriate identification.
12. A Consumer is prohibited from lending, selling, disposing, giving away, permitting to be taken or otherwise using or applying any water for the use and benefit of any other Person, including another Premise, without prior Approval.

PART IV – PAYMENT OF RATES, CHARGES AND FEES

13. Every Consumer shall be responsible for paying the rates and charges provided in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
14. Where applicable, a Consumer may be required to pay a Security Fee, as outlined in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw. This fee shall be held by the Town against non-payment of all rates, charges, tolls, fares and rents fixed under this Bylaw. If upon final billing of a Utility Billing Account, the Security Fee, or portion thereof, remains, it shall be refunded to the Consumer.
15. Where no Utility Billing Account delinquencies occur after a period of one (1) year, the Security Fee collected shall be refunded to the Consumer, without interest, as a credit to the Utility Billing Account. If a Consumer terminates his/her Utility Billing Account and there is no balance due at the date of termination, the Security Fee shall be refunded, without interest. If there is a balance owing, the Security Fee, or portion thereof, shall be applied to that outstanding balance.
16. Every Consumer who has a Meter, shall pay a Monthly Systems Charge based on the size of the Meter installed, and a levy based on consumption (consumption charge), as outlined in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
17. The consumption charge shall be estimated by an Authorized Person based on the previous two (2) Billing Periods in the following situations:
 - (a) In the event a Consumer's Premise is not metered during the entire portion of a Billing Period;

- (b) In the event access to the Meter is unable to be obtained for the purpose of reading the consumption.
- 18. Where a Monthly System Charge is applied against a portion of a calendar month that charge shall be prorated accordingly.
- 19. The Utility Bill may be mailed or delivered to the Consumer for each Billing Period, or at intervals as determined by Council, and payment shall be due and payable on or before the stipulated Due Date.
- 20. All Utility Bill payments shall be applied firstly to any arrears outstanding, and then to any balance thereafter to the current Utility Bill.
- 21. If a Utility Bill, or portion thereof, remains unpaid at the Due Date, a penalty shall be added to the outstanding unpaid portion in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw, which penalty shall be added to and form part of the Outstanding Utility Bill. In this event, the Town will notify the Consumer of the Outstanding Utility Bill, including the amount of such penalty. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- 22. If an Outstanding Utility Bill remains unpaid as at the last business day of the same month as the Due Date for Route A; the 15th of the month following the due date for Route B; the Town will send the Consumer a Final Notice Letter. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- 23. If an Outstanding Utility Bill remains unpaid by the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter, the following applies:
 - (a) For a Premise that is occupied by the registered owner, the CAO is authorized to Shut-Off the Water Services to that Premise or transfer the outstanding amount to the associated Tax Roll Account, a charge will be applicable without further notice, in accordance with Utilities Rates & Penalties Bylaw. One (1) week prior to the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter, the Town will send a Disconnect Tag to the Premise notifying the registered owner that the Water Services will be Shut-Off if full payment of the Outstanding Utility Bill is not received prior to the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
 - (b) For a Premise that is occupied by a Person other than the registered owner, any outstanding amount shall be transferred to the tax roll. If any outstanding amount is transferred to the tax roll, a charge will be applicable without further notice, in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
- 24. In the event of default in payment of any Utility Bill, including any rate, fee or penalty, or any portion thereof, all sums payable for Utility Services, including all

costs, charges, fees and penalties, shall constitute a preferential lien and charge on the Premise and on the personal property of the debtor and may, in addition to any other remedy available to the Town, be levied and collected with costs by distress, and may be levied and collected in a like manner as municipal rates and taxes are recoverable.

25. The Town has the authority to initiate legal action in a Court of competent jurisdiction in order to recover any outstanding rates, fees or penalties, or any portion thereof, or seek any other remedies it may be entitled to at law or equity.
26. Failure to receive a Utility Bill, either by mail (paper copy) or by e-mail, does not absolve the Consumer of the obligation to pay the Utility Bill or to make inquiries of the Town as to amounts that may be outstanding. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
27. Payments may be made at any of the following locations and in any of the following manners:
 - (a) at the public service counter located in the Municipal Administration Building between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except statutory holidays;
 - (b) at the mail drop located at the Municipal Administration Building;
 - (c) at any chartered bank, treasury branch or credit union located within the Town that has made collecting arrangements with the Town;
 - (d) by mailing payment to the Town at 680 Westchester Road, Strathmore, AB T1P 1J1;
 - (e) by participating in the pre-authorized debit plan with the Town;
 - (f) through internet banking;
 - (g) through the Town's website.
28. A Consumer may elect to participate in one of the two payment plans the Town offers. Under either plan the amount of the Utility Bill shall be directly debited from the Consumers' bank account on the 15th of each month. A Utility Bill shall be mailed or e-mailed to the Consumer on a monthly basis. (Amended Bylaw 13-16)
 - (a) The Equalized Payment Plan is debited from the consumers' bank on the 15th of every month. To obtain the amount to charge the consumers' bills are totaled for 12 months; and an average is established to charge the consumer on an equal amount each month. This will be reviewed in October and March each year. At this time an adjustment may be needed. The consumer will be notified. (Amended Bylaw 13-16)

- (b) The Pre-Authorized Plan is debited from the consumers' bank on the 15th of every month. The total amount on the bill at this time is debited to the bank. (Amended Bylaw 13-16)
 - (c) If there are insufficient funds for any monthly payment in the Consumer's bank account for two (2) consecutive months, the Consumer's budget payment plan shall be terminated. A Consumer may re-apply for re-instatement on the budget payment plan, provided that Consumer has paid, in full, six (6) consecutive Utility Bills.
29. If a Consumer participates in the Budget Payment Plan, as at March 31 of each year, if a budget deficit results on a Consumer's Utility Billing Account, the Consumer must pay said deficit within fifteen (15) days of the mailing date noted on the notification of payment letter. If a credit results, said credit shall be applied to the Consumer's Utility Billing Account. If the amount paid does not bring the Utility Billing Account up to date, the monthly budget amount shall be adjusted to reflect the levies from the previous year.

PART V – ACCESS TO PROPERTY

30. As a condition of receipt of Utility Services, and as operational needs dictate, Authorized Persons shall have free access to all parts of a Premise in which water is delivered and consumed, or intended to be delivered and consumed, at any reasonable hour of the day, and upon reasonable notice for the purpose of:
- (a) installation, maintenance, repair, and removal of the Water System and water Service Connections;
 - (b) installation, testing, repair and removal of Meters or other parts of the Water System;
 - (c) inspection of Cross Connection control devices or other equipment and works associated with the Water System and the Consumer's plumbing system;
 - (d) reading of Meters; and
 - (e) inspections for compliance with this Bylaw.
31. No Person shall hinder, interrupt or cause to be hindered any Authorized Person, or its contractors, servants, agents or workers, in the exercise of any of the powers or duties relating to the Water System as authorized or required in this Bylaw.

32. Upon termination of water services, any Authorized Person may, at all reasonable times and upon prior reasonable notice to the Consumer, enter the Premise that was supplied with water services for the purpose of removing from the Premise any fittings, machines, apparatus, Meters, pipes or any other things that are the property of the Town.
33. Authorized Persons may, at any time, specify the required position, or require the relocation or abandonment, at the registered owner's expense, of any Meter, Cross Connection control device, pipe, valve or fitting forming part of the Water System.

PART VI – SERVICES AND MAINS

34. The Consumer, or Person responsible for the development of the lands, shall be responsible for the construction of all Service Connections, which shall be constructed in compliance with the Town's Standards, and:
 - (a) shall ensure that all proposed Service Connections receive approval from the Town prior to construction; and
 - (b) shall not backfill the excavation until such time as the Town has inspected the work, or has advised of Approval of the work.
35. Water and Sanitary Sewer Services from the Water Main to the Premise shall be installed in accordance with the then current Town Standards and at the Consumer's expense. The Consumer shall consult with the Town and the Town contractor prior to constructing Service Connections, and shall arrange to have a Meter and Remote Reader installed prior to occupancy at the Consumer's expense.
36. No Person shall install or cause to be installed a branch line between the service and the Water System.
37. All Service Connections shall be constructed of approved materials in accordance with the *Safety Codes Act*, R.S.A. 2000 c S-1 and all related Regulations thereto, and all other standards adopted by the Town from time to time.

38. When, for any reason, a temporary service is required, an Applicant shall pay in advance the whole cost of the temporary service construction, together with the costs of removing the temporary service when it is no longer needed.
39. No Person, other than Authorized Persons, shall Turn On the Water Services to any Premise before plumbing is complete and a Meter and Remote Reader have been installed. This shall apply to all new construction, alterations, additions, renewals and all piping changes of any nature whatsoever. Each residential and commercial Premise is required to have a Remote Reader installed.
40. Only Authorized Persons shall operate or handle any article having to do with the treatment or distribution of water, except where otherwise authorized by this Bylaw.
41. A plumber may Turn On or Shut-Off Water Services in the following instances:
 - (a) to test his/her piping in the case of a new installation; and
 - (b) to replace or repair a valve or piping.

In the case of subsection (a), the plumber must ensure the c.c. is Shut-Off prior to leaving the site at the completion of the plumber's work.
42. A plumber shall not be in violation of Section 39 when conducting the work as outlined in Section 41 with reasonable care and in a manner consistent with the applicable legislation, regulations, standards and established industry best practices.
43. Two (2) days' written advance notice shall be given to the CAO prior to any construction that will affect a Water Main or Water Services, and any construction and work shall only proceed after Town Approval.
44. The CAO may withdraw any Approval that may have been granted to connect a water supply with the Town Water Main or services if the CAO finds that any of the construction and/or work is not being done in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw, and the Person making such connection, or their successors in interest, shall have no right to demand or claim damages in consequence of such Approval being withdrawn.
45. No Person other than an Authorized Person shall obstruct or impede direct and free access to Water Mains and appurtenances, unless otherwise authorized by this Bylaw.
46. No water supply may be connected to any Water Supply System servicing another Premise, unless Approved.
47. The Water Supply System on private property is the Consumer's responsibility and all maintenance costs for said system shall be borne by the Consumer.

48. The cost of thawing a frozen Water Supply System on private property shall be borne by the Consumer.
49. A fine will be levied against any Person who tampers with the Water Supply System.
50. Where a Water Supply System or water service is no longer required by a Consumer, he/she shall obtain Approval for the method and location of abandonment, and shall be responsible for having the water service removed at the respective Water Main and the Meter returned to the Town, at his/her own expense.
51. Where a Premise has been previously serviced, the Consumer shall be responsible for the maintenance of the curb box until his/her Premise is landscaped.
52. Landscaping and topographical reconstruction shall meet the following standards:
 - (a) Finished surface contours shall cause direct surface drainage onto an adjoining site, and shall be completed within one (1) year of the issuance of the building permit;
 - (b) The average vertical distance between the finished grade and the apex of the roofline, measured at the front and rear corners, shall not exceed ten (10.0) meters or thirty-three (33.0) feet;
 - (c) Two (2) trees per dwelling unit shall be planted on site. Approved options include the following:
 - i.) Deciduous (two (2) cm or 0.75 inches in height);
 - ii.) Caliper; or
 - iii.) Coniferous (one (1) meter or three (3.0) feet in height).
 - (d) There shall be no poplar or willow trees within ten (10) meters (or 32.8 feet) from a sanitary sewer line as per Land Use Bylaw 89/20, section 60, as amended by Bylaw No. 06-15.
53. If a Consumer neglects, fails or refuses to maintain, repair or replace a Service Connection, pipe, or portion(s) of the Water System as applicable and as required by this Bylaw, the Town may:
 - (a) Shut-Off the Water Services until said repairs have been made to stop the water loss; and

- (b) Estimate the volume of water loss and demand payment from the Consumer for the amount of water estimated to have been lost, which payment shall become due and payable upon demand being made.

PART VII – METERS AND REMOTE READERS

- 54. A Utility Billing Account shall be established from the date the Meter and Remote Reader are obtained from the Town, regardless of occupancy. This also applies for show homes. All charges prescribed in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw shall apply from the date the Meter and Remote Reader are installed.
- 55. A Remote Reader must be installed in all Premises, including show homes, and regardless of occupancy.
- 56. All water supplied by the Town through the Town's Water System shall be measured using the metric system. All measurements and dimensions in this Bylaw are based on the metric system, and where existing equipment utilizing imperial measurement is in use, the imperial measurement will be converted to metric, and those figures shall be used.
- 57. All water supplied by the Town through each Service Connection shall be measured by one Meter, unless otherwise Approved by the Town.
- 58. All residential Meters and Remote Readers shall be supplied, owned and maintained by the Town, unless otherwise Approved by the Town.
- 59. All Meters and Remote Readers for commercial, business, and multi-family Premises shall be purchased by the Consumer through the Town. The Consumer is responsible for the cost of purchasing the Meter and Remote Reader, as well as the cost for installation, which shall be completed by a qualified plumber. Notwithstanding the Consumer is responsible for the purchase and installation costs, upon installation, the Meter and Remote Reader shall become Town property. The Consumer shall replace the Meter, at its own cost, every fifteen (15) years.
(Amended Bylaw 13-16)
- 60. The size of the Meter to be installed shall be determined and Approved by the Town.
- 61. If a Meter is not already installed on a Premise, a Consumer shall arrange with the Town to obtain a Meter and Remote Reader. All costs in connection with the installation shall be borne by the Consumer.

62. The Consumer is responsible for having the Meter installed by a qualified plumber, and is also responsible for the installation of the wiring for the Remote Reader through the wall to the Meter in the manner and to the specifications specified by the Town. The wire shall be supplied by the Town at no cost to the Consumer.
63. The Town will install the Remote Reader once the installation of the Meter is complete and the wire has been run. Upon installation of the Meter and the Remote Reader, the Consumer shall pay to the Town a fee as prescribed in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
64. For new construction, it is the responsibility of the builder to have a Meter installed. The builder shall also have a Remote Reader wire in place, and is to contact the Town prior to occupancy to arrange for the installation of the Remote Reader and a Flex Net Smart Point M2 (MXU), by the Town.
65. The Meter shall be installed inside the Premise in a location that is easily accessible for service, maintenance and repair. The Consumer must also ensure the Remote Reader and wire are in good working order and compatible with the Town's electronic reading system before the Town will issue an Occupancy Permit.
66. Meter Sizes:
 - (a) all residential Meters $5/8 \times 1/2$ and $5/8 \times 3/4$ will be provided, maintained and replaced by the Town;
 - (b) all commercial Meters and residential Meters greater than $5/8 \times 3/4$ shall be supplied by the Consumer, installed by a qualified plumber at the Consumer's expense, be compatible with the Town's electronic reading system, and shall become the property of the Town. The Consumer shall replace the Meter, at the Consumer's own cost, every fifteen (15) years.
(Amended Bylaw 13-16)
67. Any Meter installed in Premises within the Town shall be installed in accordance with the specifications as outlined in the Town's Engineering Standards.
68. Any Consumer having a Meter greater than twenty-five (25) millimeters in diameter shall, at his/her sole cost and expense, supply, install and maintain a Shut-Off valve both before and after the Meter, as well as provide a proper valve bypass.
69. All Consumers shall provide reasonable protection of the Meter against freezing, heat, or any internal or external damage.

70. When a Meter is damaged by heat or frost, willful damage, or any other condition or means against which the Consumer neglected to provide adequate protection, including tampering with the Meter, the whole cost of removal, repair and replacement of the Meter shall be borne by the Consumer, as outlined in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
71. No Consumer shall break or tamper with any Meter, Remote Reader, seal or bypass.
72. A meter manhole, a meter chamber, or a Meter Room shall be constructed and maintained at the expense of the Consumer where the area to be served:
 - (a) has one registered owner and there are several buildings;
 - (b) is a mobile home park;
 - (c) is a condominium development; or
 - (d) is a seasonal park service with no buildings.
73. No Person shall alter a Meter or a Remote Reader so as to lessen or alter the amount of water registered by it, unless Approved.
74. The use of water during the construction of a Premise without the requirement of a Meter is only allowed during the testing of a plumbing system.
75. No Consumer shall use water supplied through a Meter by-pass, unless it is constructed in accordance with the Town's Standards and Approved by the Town.
76. Where Approval for a Meter by-pass has been received, a Consumer shall be charged for water received through the Meter by-pass in accordance with the provisions for unmetered water in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
77. Access to the Remote Reader shall be the responsibility of the Consumer and shall not be obstructed by decks, balconies, shrubs, trees, fences, or in any other way as to prevent Authorized Persons from having ready access to it.
78. The Town may Shut-Off and refuse service to the Consumer until such time as the Meter and Remote Reader are installed and operating in accordance with this Bylaw.
79. In the case of metered Premises, each Meter shall be read at such times or intervals as Council may designate. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if, in the opinion of the CAO, a Meter has failed to register accurately since the last reading, the water usage for said period shall be estimated by an Authorized Person based on a yearly average, which average will be based on the actual Meter reads. In the event there are no actual Meter reads, once the failed Meter has been replaced and actual reads are available to determine an average daily consumption, the water usage will be estimated based on these new Meter reads by an Authorized Person, who will determine an average for the Billing Period.

80. In the event an Authorized Person is unable to read a Meter for two (2) consecutive Billing Periods due to failure by the Consumer to provide or allow access to the Meter or Remote Reader, or where a Remote Reader has not been installed, a notice shall be sent to the Consumer's mailing address, or address of residence where the Meter is located, requesting that within forty-eight (48) hours the Consumer inform an Authorized Person of when the Town will be able to obtain an actual reading, or install a Remote Reader, if necessary.
81. In the event the Consumer fails to communicate with the Town within forty-eight (48) hours to arrange for a suitable time for the purpose of obtaining a Meter reading, or where an Authorized Person, due to the fault of the Consumer, is unable to gain entry at the suitable time as stated by the Consumer, the water supply may be Shut-Off by the Town, without further notice, until such time as a reading may be obtained by an Authorized Person.
82. In the event the Town is dissatisfied with the location of any Meter or Remote Reader due to alterations or restrictions to a Premise, it may require the Remote Reader and/or Meter be relocated to a more suitable or convenient location, which location shall be based on the sole opinion of the Town. All costs associated with relocating the Remote Reader, including costs incurred by the Town, shall be borne by the Consumer.
83. A Consumer may, by providing written notice, request that the Town test the accuracy of the Meter, and:
- (a) If the Meter sent for testing is found to be accurate with 97% to 103% of the measured volume of water passing through the Meter, the Consumer shall pay the fees for such tests, as set out in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw, and if the Meter sent for testing is less than five (5) years old, the Town may, at the Town's discretion, charge the Consumer for the cost of the new Meter; or
- If the Meter is found not to be accurate within those limits, the Meter shall be repaired or replaced at no cost to the Consumer, provided the inaccurate registering is not a result of deliberate tampering with or abuse of the Meter by the Consumer, or damage to the Meter caused by the negligence of the Consumer, and the cost for the tests shall be borne by the Town. Further, the Utility Bills based on the readings of that Meter during the period of four (4) months immediately preceding the date of the test or calibration shall be corrected to reflect the error in the Meter, and the Consumer shall pay, or shall be refunded as the case may be, the amount so determined by the Town, which payment or refund shall be accepted by both the Town and the Consumer in full settlement of any claim that may arise out of the error in the readings of the Meter.
84. For all new Applications, there shall be only one Meter.

PART VIII – SUBSIDIARY METERS

85. The installation and use of a subsidiary Meter is prohibited.
86. Notwithstanding Section 84, any subsidiary Meter installed prior to this Bylaw coming into force shall be exempt from this prohibition, and shall be permitted as a non-conforming use. This exemption will apply until such time that the Consumer requires a new Meter, or it becomes appropriate, as determined by the Town.
87. Every Consumer who has a subsidiary Meter, shall pay a Water Levy and a Sewer Levy (consumption only), as outlined in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
88. For all new Applications, there shall be only one Meter.
89. All subsidiary Meters shall remain the property of the Consumer.
90. If, in the opinion of the Town, a subsidiary Meter has been installed in a manner so as to interfere with the operation or access to the Meter, the Town may direct the Consumer move or relocate the subsidiary Meter within a time frame as selected by the Town, at the sole cost and expense of the Consumer.

PART IX – SERVICE PIPING FOR FIRE PROTECTION

91. Unless Approved, no Person other than Authorized Persons shall operate or interfere with any hydrant.
92. No Person shall use water supplied through a hydrant, public or private, except as necessary for firefighting, testing, or maintenance, unless Approved. In instances where Approval for use of a public hydrant is granted to a Person, that Person shall be responsible for any damages incurred to the public hydrant or the Town's Water System while the hydrant is in use. Any Person Approved to use water from either a public or private hydrant shall be responsible for payment at the unmetered rate, as outlined in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
93. Where an unmetered water supply is provided to a building sprinkler, standpipe, private hydrant, or other fire protection system, no Person shall use such water supply for any purpose except as necessary for firefighting, testing or maintenance, unless Approved.
94. Service piping for fire protection within a Premise shall not be connected to any other portion of the Water System.

95. No Person shall, in any manner whatsoever, obstruct the free access to any hydrant. No vehicle, building, rubbish, or any other matter that would cause obstruction shall be placed nearer to a hydrant than the property line of the Street in which the hydrant is located, or within one (1) and one-half (1.5) metres of the hydrant in a direction parallel with said property line.
96. All standpipe and hose systems shall be installed in accordance with the Alberta Building Code and maintained in accordance with the Alberta Fire Code.
97. Services constructed pursuant to this Part shall not be tapped in any location whether on the Town's portion of the services or the private property portion of the services, without Approval from the CAO.

PART X – PRIVATE FIRE HYDRANT MAINTENANCE

98. For the purposes of this Part, a Private Fire Hydrant may also be referred to as "hydrant."
99. The Consumer is responsible for testing, maintaining, and marking of Private Fire Hydrants located on the Consumer's Premises, and assumes all liability for the proper operation, maintenance, and marking of said hydrants.
100. Private Fire Hydrants, bonnets, 125 mm pumper ports and 65 mm hose ports must be painted red, and hydrant identification numbers shall be placed upon the fire hydrant in a location that is easily visible to responding fire apparatus. Further, all chains and cables must be removed from the hydrants.
101. It is the responsibility of the Consumer to have all Private Fire Hydrants that are located on the Consumer's Premises tested semi-annually in accordance with the Alberta Fire Code. It is also the Consumer's responsibility to have all Private Fire Hydrants located on the Consumer's Premises registered with the Town.
102. The semi-annual test for Private Fire Hydrants must include, although it is not limited to, the following criteria:
 - (a) Hydrants shall be maintained in operating condition;
 - (b) The Town must be contacted prior to performance of any maintenance or repairs on the hydrant, or any work on any privately owned fire suppression system connected to the public Water System;
 - (c) Hydrants must utilize a double Backflow Prevention System;

(d) Flow rates shall be as follows:

- i. For commercial areas 9080 litres per minute of water for a two (2) hour duration;
- ii. For residential areas 4542 litres per minute for a two (2) hour duration;

(e) An area having a radius of one and a half (1.5) meters around each hydrant shall be clear and unobstructed, and each hydrant shall be located in clear view from the roadway while approaching such hydrant from either direction;

(f) Care must be taken to remove any pollutants that are in the flow path prior to conducting the testing to prevent pollutants from being washed into a storm drain.

103. Private Fire Hydrants shall be inspected at intervals not greater than six (6) months and directly preceding use. Inspections shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) Ensuring hydrant caps are in place, and that caps with worn, rusted or obstructed threads that may hamper easy removal shall be repaired or replaced, as is necessary;
- (b) Inspection of hydrant barrels to determine if water has accumulated as a result of a leaking main valve, or a plugged or damaged drain valve, or any other reason;
- (c) Repair of main valves that are leaking, and drain valves that are plugged or damaged. Where it is not practical to repair drain valves, or if drain valves are intentionally plugged, measures shall be taken to prevent the freezing of accumulated water.

104. Records of inspections and tests on Private Fire Hydrants shall be submitted to the Town by the Consumer on a semi-annual basis and after each use.

105. Only a qualified Person shall perform the inspection, servicing and testing of the hydrant. Following which, this Person shall forthwith send the Town a copy of the condition of the hydrant and the repairs performed.

106. Upon becoming aware that a Private Fire Hydrant is broken, defective, or in any manner unusable, a Person must contact the Fire Department immediately so that the hydrant may be bagged (locked out). The hydrant must immediately be serviced, overhauled or replaced, followed by testing and maintenance to ensure the hydrant is ready for emergency use.

PART XI - BULK WATER SUPPLY

107. The Town shall establish a Bulk Water fill station for the use of any Person for the supply of Bulk Water. A Person acquiring water from the Bulk Water

fill station shall be deemed to have a receivable account with the Town and shall pay Bulk Water fees in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw. The Town is not responsible for the water quality of the water received by the Consumer from the Bulk Water station.

PART XII - CONTROLLING CROSS CONNECTIONS

108. No Person shall connect, cause to be connected, or permit to remain connected to the Water System a Cross Connection that has not been Approved by the Town.
109. Where the Town believes that a Cross Connection exists in contravention of this Part, the Town may carry out an inspection in the following circumstances:
- (a) upon reasonable notice to the Consumer; or
 - (b) without notice where the Town believes that an immediate threat of contamination to the Water System exists.
110. Where the Town believes a Cross Connection exists in contravention of this Part upon completion of an inspection as provided for in Section 108, the CAO may terminate the Water Services to that Premise upon reasonable notice. Where the CAO believes that such Cross Connection poses an immediate threat of contamination of the Water System, the CAO may terminate such Water Services without notice until such time that the CAO deems such threat to be sufficiently removed.
111. No Consumer shall cause, permit or allow to remain connected to any portion of the Water System any piping, fixture, fitting, container or other apparatus that may cause water from a source other than the Water System or any other actual or potentially harmful or deleterious liquid or substance to enter the Water System.

PART XIII – SHUT-OFF

112. An Authorized Person may, without notice, Shut-Off the Water Services to any Premise when, in the opinion of the CAO, an Emergency condition exists, rendering such action necessary.

113. An Authorized Person may Shut-Off the Water Services to a Premise, without notice to the Consumer, when:
- (a) in the opinion of the CAO, leakage from the Water System or Water Supply System constitutes a waste of water;
 - (b) the Premise is occupied by the registered owner and the charges for the supply of water remain unpaid as at the date stipulated in the Final Notice Letter; or
 - (c) a Consumer fails to comply with any provision of this Bylaw.
114. In the event Water Services are Shut-Off, as provided for in this Part, a Shut-Off fee and a reconnection fee shall be charged in accordance with the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw, and shall be payable in advance of the Water Services being Turned On.
115. In the event a Consumer meets all requirements as set by the CAO for the turning on of the Water Services that have been Shut-Off, the Town shall Turn On such Water Services prior to the end of the Working Day following the Consumer's notification of compliance with this Bylaw, provided such notification is given prior to 10:00 a.m. on a Working Day.
116. Turn-Ons to be done outside of the Working Day shall be Approved by the CAO in advance and a fee shall be charged, pursuant to the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
117. Temporary Water Supply Shut Off
- a) Any owner, who wishes to temporarily discontinue the use of the water supply, shall give written notice to the Town requesting that the Town shut off the water supply at the curb stop. This does not relieve the owner from the obligation to pay the applicable monthly flat fee and, upon request to restore the water supply, the owner is obliged to pay a turn on fee as set out in SCHEDULE "A". The fact that a property is vacant is not reason for nonpayment of specified rates. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
 - b) Whenever any premises are vacated the turn off valve on the inside walls of the building shall be turned off by the owner. In case of said fixtures not being kept in good order and repair, the Town may shut off the supply of water at the curb stop without notice, and collect any expense incurred against the premises. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
- 118 Moving Or Demolishing Buildings
- a) When a building is connected to the Town water system is to be moved from its

existing location or when the water service lines are to be permanently disconnected from any building for any cause, the owner of the land on which the building is situated is required to contact the Town prior to such action for disconnection of services and water meter removal. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)

b)The owner of the land from which a building connected to the Town water system is to be removed shall pay to the Town the appropriate charge before a permit for demolition or moving the building is issued pursuant to other Town Bylaws. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)

PART XIV – CONSERVATION

119. No Person shall allow water to run in a wasteful manner, as determined by the CAO, for any reason, unless Approved.

120.No Consumer shall waste water by allowing water to run-off the Premise owned or occupied by the Consumer such that it creates:

a stream or spray of water running into or falling onto a Street, or for a distance of thirty (30) metres; or

a stream or spray of water running onto a Street or swale and directly into a catch basin.

121. Outdoor watering restrictions shall be implemented when deemed necessary, or due to a restricted water supply imposed by the City of Calgary, or for any other reason as determined by the CAO. The CAO may impose restrictions on all potable water usage within the Town of Strathmore for whatever period necessary in order to rebuild the potable water supply.

122. Whenever possible, restriction periods shall take effect twenty-four (24) hours from the time at which notice was given to the Town, unless the situation is deemed urgent, in which case the restriction period shall take place immediately.

123. When a restriction period has been imposed pursuant to this Bylaw, the Town shall give notice by any one or more of the following means:

- (a) announcement on the Town's website;
- (b) announcement on the Town's electronic highway sign;
- (c) notification in one or more of the local newspapers;
- (d) signage posted at multiple locations within the Town.

124. Notice of restriction periods shall include the date and time that the restriction shall take effect.
125. Consumers shall abide by the implemented outdoor watering restrictions. In the event a Consumer contravenes the rationing restriction authorized by this Bylaw, the CAO may cause the Water Services to that Consumer's Premise to be Shut-Off until such time the Consumer undertakes to abide by and comply with such restriction. Failure to abide by watering restrictions by Consumer will result in a Penalty as specified in Schedule G. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
126. This Part does not apply to work carried out by the Town or its agents, contractors, servants or employees.
127. All applications for plumbing permits involving the installation of toilets and/or showerheads in new or retrofit/renovated residential, commercial, industrial or institutional Premises shall demonstrate on plan drawings the use of the Low-flow Plumbing Fixtures to the satisfaction of the Town. (Amended Bylaw 13-03)
128. All toilets installed in new or retrofit/renovated residential, commercial, industrial or institutional Premises shall be CSA certified, and have a tank capacity of not more than six (6) litres (1.6 U.S. gallons) per flush.
129. All showerheads installed in new or retrofit/renovated residential, commercial, industrial or institutional Premises shall be CSA certified and have a flow capacity of not more than nine and one-half (9.5) litres (2.5 U.S. gallons) per minute. Where more than one showerhead is to be installed in a shower enclosure the cumulative flow capacity of all showerheads shall not exceed nine and one-half (9.5) litres (2.5 U.S. gallons) per minute.
130. All indoor faucets installed in new or retrofit/renovated residential, commercial, industrial or institutional Premises shall be equipped with a tap aerator.
131. No Occupancy Permit shall be issued unless and until the use of Low-flow Plumbing Fixtures, as applicable, have been demonstrated through physical inspection or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the Town.

PART XV – UNAUTHORIZED USE OF WATER

132. Except as otherwise Approved under this Bylaw, no Person shall obtain water from the Water System, or allow water to be obtained from the Water System to be used:
 - (a) in an illegal manner;

- (b) in a manner that will impede use by other Consumers;
 - (c) unless a Utility Billing Account has been opened; or
 - (d) unless the water has first passed through a Meter.
133. If the Town finds an unauthorized use of water, including tampering with a Meter or other part of the Town's Water System, the Town may take corrective action to remedy the unauthorized use and repair its Meters, appliances, or other facilities, and ensure the safety of the general public.
134. Any Person who uses water in contravention of this Part shall be responsible for the following charges:
- (a) all charges for water consumed or obtained in accordance with the water rates as per the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw, as estimated by the Town; and
 - (b) all charges to cover the Town's costs associated with the unauthorized use of water.

PART XVI – PENALTIES

135. A person who is found guilty of an offence under this Bylaw is liable to a fine of not more than Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) or to imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or to both, pursuant to the Municipal Government Act. R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended.
136. Any Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence, and liable to a fine, as outlined in Schedule "G" in the Utilities Rates and Penalties Bylaw.
137. Nothing in this Bylaw shall be construed as curtailing or abridging the right of the Town to obtain compensation or to maintain any action for loss of or damage to property from or against the Person(s) responsible.
138. A Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the provisions of this Bylaw, and when necessary issue a Violation Tag to any Person whom the Peace Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.
139. A Violation Tag shall be issued to such Person:

- (a) personally; or
 - (b) by securely attaching it to the door of that Person's Premise; or
 - (c) by mailing a copy to that Person's last known post-office address.
140. The Violation Tag shall be in a form Approved by the Town, and shall state:
- (a) the offence;
 - (b) that the Due Date for payment shall not be less than twenty-one (21) days from issuance of the Violation Tag; and
 - (c) any other information as may be required by the Town.
141. Where a contravention of this Bylaw is of a continuing nature, further Violation Tags may be issued by a Peace Officer, provided no more than one (1) Violation Tag is issued for each day that the contravention continues.
142. Where a Violation Tag is issued pursuant to this Bylaw, the Person to whom the Violation Tag is issued may, in lieu of being prosecuted for the offence, pay to the Town the penalty specified on the Violation Tag.
143. If the penalty specified in a Violation Tag is not paid within the prescribed time period, a Peace Officer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue a Violation Ticket pursuant to Parts II and III of the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. P-24, as amended.
144. Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent a Peace Officer from immediately issuing a Violation Ticket for the mandatory Court appearance of any Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw.

PART XVII – ENFORCEMENT

145. It shall be the duty of the CAO or the CAO's delegate, a Peace Officer, or a Bylaw Officer to enforce the provisions of this Bylaw.

PART XVIII – GENERAL PROVISIONS

146. Schedules "A" and "B" form part of this Bylaw.

PART XIX – SEVERABILITY

147. Should any provision or part of this Bylaw be found to have been improperly enacted, for any reason, then such clause or part shall be regarded as being severable from the rest of this Bylaw, and the Bylaw remaining after such severance shall be effective and enforceable as if the clause or part found to be improperly enacted had not been enacted as part of this Bylaw.

PART XX – REPEAL, FORCE AND EFFECT

148. Bylaw No. 07-02, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed.
149. This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect when it receives third reading and is signed by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk.

READ a first time this ____ day of _____, A.D. 20__.

READ a second time this ____ day of _____, A.D. 20__.

READ a third and final time this ____ day of _____, A.D. 20__.

SIGNED and PASSED this ____ day of _____, A.D. 20__.

MAYOR

MUNICIPAL CLERK

Schedule “A”
Outdoor Watering Restrictions

- A-101. Effective the first Saturday in May through to the first Sunday in November every year:

ODD numbered addresses may water: Wednesday, Friday and Sunday

EVEN numbered addresses may water: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

A-102. Watering may only occur during the following hours:

5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Amended Bylaw 12-12)

A-103. Flowerbeds and vegetable gardens may be watered by hand anytime, using watering can or a hose with a nozzle and a trigger shut off to restrict water flow. Sprinklers and like water toys may be used for recreational purposes by children as long as the children are present during use.

New Sod/Seed Exemptions

A-104. A temporary exemption to outdoor watering for the watering of the new sod/seed installation and for forty-eight (48) hours after the application of commercial fertilizers as per the attached Schedule "B," is available through the Town of Strathmore.

Schedule "B"
WATER EXEMPTION PERMIT

Permit #:	Date Issued:
Contact Name:	Expiry Date:
Address:	Purpose: (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> New Sod/Seed Care <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Fertilizer Application (48 hours)

Phone #: _____

New Sod/Seed Care Watering Recommendations

1. Water the soil about twenty-four (24) hours before your sod arrives. This will create moisture reserves in the soil. Water well enough in advance so that the soil surface is not wet and soggy when the sod arrives.
2. On the day the sod is laid (regardless of your water day) water in the evening between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. (water the sod just to the run-off point). (Amended Bylaw 12-12)
3. On day two, you may water again in the morning and the evening (**during watering hours only**). Water just to the run-off point, and don't leave the sprinkler running. Sod needs frequent, light watering to get established.
4. On day three, lift a corner of the sod in the morning to see if it is wet. If it's wet, wait until the evening to water. If it's dry, water that morning (**during the watering hours of 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. only**). (Amended Bylaw 12-12)
5. For the next few days, watering once a day should be enough and your sod should achieve a knit (root growth).
6. For the next two weeks water on your regular watering days (2 days a week) once or twice a day, depending on the weather.
7. After three weeks, your sod should be established and you can start deep watering once a week (1-2 inches).
8. If you have any questions or need additional information contact the Town Office at 403-934-3133.

Special Instruction:

Signed: _____

