

Ordinance Type	District Operations	Date Adopted	June 28, 2006
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22000.01 Service for Residential, Commercial or Industrial Purposes

The District will provide water service for fire protection systems for residential, commercial or industrial developments within the District. Such service shall be available only in accordance with the rules and regulations provided in this Ordinance and other applicable Ordinances.

22000.02 Rules and Regulations for Fire Hydrant and/or Fire Sprinkler Service for Residential, Commercial or Industrial Purposes on Private Property

- 22000.02.1** All fire hydrant and/or fire sprinkler service mains installed for residential, commercial or industrial purposes on privately-owned Premises shall be owned and maintained by the property owner, except for fire hydrants installed for multiple unit residential and other commercial developments where the District has accepted an easement and ownership for such service mains.
- 22000.02.2** Fire service systems shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements of the public agency that is responsible for providing fire protection to the Premises.
- 22000.02.3** Where service is provided for fire hydrant or fire sprinkler service on privately-owned Premises under Paragraph 22000.02.1 above, the service shall be provided by the District at the property line of the Premises to be served. The property owner or Developer shall be responsible to construct, per District standards, specifications, and requirements, and maintain the remainder of the facilities to provide fire protection to the Premises.
- 22000.02.4** Water furnished for fire hydrant or fire sprinkler service shall be used only for fire protection purposes.
- 22000.02.5** Where a fire hydrant is to be installed in front of a building or where the fire sprinkler system is to be connected to a District water main in front of the building, the District shall have the option to determine whether or not a reduced pressure backflow prevention assembly shall be installed by the property owner or Developer.

22000.02.6 Upon application for installation of one or more fire service connections to an existing District water main, the Customer shall pay such charges as shall be determined on the basis of actual costs incurred by the District in performing the work. At the time of application for the installation, the District will estimate the total costs to be incurred in performing the work. The Customer shall deposit the estimated amount with the District prior to commencement of the work. The work shall be performed by the District, or a District contractor. If actual costs incurred by the District are less than the amount deposited, the District shall refund the balance of the deposit to the Customer. If the costs incurred exceed the amount deposited, the Customer shall reimburse the District for the additional costs within 20 days from the date of invoice. Where the fire service connection is to be made to a water main to be constructed in a street by the owner or Developer, the costs for such connection shall be covered under the Conveyance Agreement with the District for installation of the water facilities for the development project.

22000.02.7 Water for private fire protection services shall be provided in accordance with Section 12000.03.2 and the rates in the District’s current Schedule of Rates, Fees, Charges, and Deposits shall apply. There is no connection fee for a private fire protection line.

22000.02.8 The District shall have no responsibility for the proper functioning of the fire service system or for the availability of water from its mains for fire protection in the event of an emergency. While the District undertakes at all times to have adequate supplies available in its system for ordinary uses, it is not a guarantor of continual service in quantities and pressures adequate for all purposes, and, as a condition to the District providing the fire service connection, the District shall incur no liability nor be subject to any damages resulting from a failure or malfunctioning of the fire sprinkler lateral or fire sprinkler system or from a lack of water in adequate quantity or pressure to make it fully effective.

Revision History:

Revision Date	Description of Changes	Requested By
6/25/08	Ord. 08-001 repealed all prior ordinances	
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