

CITY OF DOTHAN, ALABAMA

CITY COMMISSION POLICY - NO. 3

**SEWER AND WATER LINE EXTENSIONS
AND USER CHARGES**

I. PURPOSE

To establish the parameters under which requests for sanitary sewer and water line extensions that are not in the City of Dothan's utility capital improvement expansion program will be considered.

II. PROCEDURE

A. Developments (Commercial or Residential)

1. On-site - The developer will be responsible for all on-site water and sewer service and to bring such lines to a point of service on a street, public right-of-way or utility easement which is accessible to existing sewer/water utility services.
2. Off-site - From the point of service to the existing termination of City water and sewer service, the City will share the cost of connecting these two points on a 50-50 basis for a minimum six inch water main and a minimum eight-inch sewer main upon resolution approval of the City Commission, provided the City has funds available and the off-site mains can be utilized to serve other areas as a part of the City's distribution and collection system, respectively. If the City determines that a larger main will be required than that necessary to service the development itself, the City will pay the difference in cost of the larger main and that required for the development.

B. Individual Requests

1. Individual customers, that can be reasonably served which are located beyond the end of the City's water and sewer lines, will be permitted to have services installed to a reasonable point on their property at their own expense, subject to inspection and approval by the City.
2. Upon approval of the service extension by the City and payment of a tapping fee, the customer will be connected into the City's system.
3. All such service extensions located on public right-of-way shall become the property of the City.
4. If the extension line is enlarged by the City to serve other customers, then the extension and pipe size shall be made on a funded basis in accordance with paragraph II A (2), above.

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- C. Industrial and commercial requests for water and sewer service will be considered as in "A" above, except that major industries will be considered on a case by case basis by the City Commission.
- D. Any service requested beyond II A, II B and II C, above, will be done at the property owner's or applicant's expense.

III. RESERVATION OF AUTHORITY

The City Commission reserves the authority to amend, modify or change this policy.

IV. APPROVAL AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This policy is adopted and approved in Regular Session of the City Commission on this 26th day of August, 2003.

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