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Ordinance 2025-03

Revised Utility Hookup Provisions

Whereas, City of White Municipal Ordinance 8.0105(a) currently reads:

Deposit Required for Hookup. A deposit of two hundred (200) dollars is required by the City Council for hookup to City water, sewer and electric services. The deposit shall be paid by all applicants for each new service connection. The deposit will be refunded in full after 2 years upon faithful payment (no delinquencies as set forth in Section 8.0105 of this Ordinance) on the account(s) during that period or if the customer terminates services on the account(s), at which time the customer must pay all accounts in full and any remaining balance of the deposit will be refunded. and;

Whereas, The City of White has the full faith that all Utility Deposits paid by customers who established services with the City of White before **January 1, 2018**, have been fully refunded in accordance with Article 8.0105(a), and;

Whereas, since **January 1, 2018**, records for Utility Deposits have been chaotic due to a computer data loss, though the City has done its best to determine who is owed a deposit refund, tracking utility deposits have become cumbersome, and;

Whereas, with the advent of Electronic Funds Transfers, non-payment of utilities that justify the utility deposit has become sporadic, and isolated to a few individuals who the City is working with on a case-by-case basis, though the City has determined that it currently lacks a penalty significant enough to encourage payment, now therefore, be it resolved,

That effective October 1, 2025, the City of White will repeal the text of section 8.0105(a) and replace it with the following:

8.0105(a) Connection to City of White Utility Services:

- i. Customers applying for Utility Services with the City of White shall complete the application for services and pay a \$100 non-refundable fee to the City Finance Office.*
- ii. Customers who own properties with buildings that have connections to the City Utility System, but are sitting vacant, unused, or abandoned, still owe the monthly "base charge" and any associated fees for those services which are available to the building. This is not waiver able.*
- iii. If a customer becomes delinquent on their payment, a fee of \$10.00 per service shall be assessed for each month that they have failed to pay on time.*
- iv. In the event a customer becomes 90 days delinquent, they shall be subject to disconnection upon action of the City Council, and will be required to pay a \$200 "reconnection fee" in addition to any late fees and the balance of their past-due amount.*
- v. In the event a renter (tenant) fails to pay their utility bill, the owner of the structure is ultimately responsible for paying the all past-due fees and balance. The owner of the structure in a landlord-*

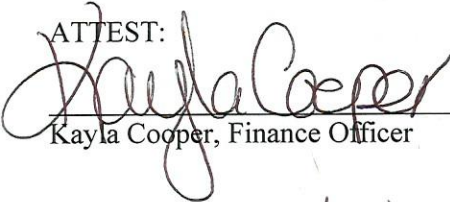
tenant relationship shall not be liable for the \$200 "reconnection fee". It is further understood that the City has a duty to communicate with the landlord when a tenant falls behind with their utility payments.

And be it further resolved that any customers the City has determined has a current Utility Deposit on file with the City will be credited on the customer's October 2025 Utility Statement. If a customer feels that they were not given their justly due deposit refund they may appeal and present their case to the City Finance Officer for presentation to the City Council. All appeals must be presented no-later-than December 15, 2025 for consideration at the December 22, 2025, Year-end Special City Council Meeting.

APPROVED:


Matt Lagerstrom, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kayla Cooper, Finance Officer

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Second Reading: 9/16/25
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Ordinance No. 2025 -02
Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance

BE IT ORDAINED, by the governing body of the City of White, Brookings County, South Dakota, that
the following sum is supplementally appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality.

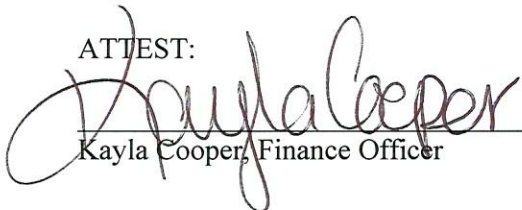
	<u>General Fund</u>
Source of Funding:	
Estimated Unobligated Cash Balance	<u>\$16,500.00</u>
Appropriations:	
101 General	
430000 Public Works	
42900 Other	\$16,000.00
45100 Recreation	\$500.00
 Total Appropriations	 <u>\$16,500.00</u>

APPROVED:



Matt Lagerstrom, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kayla Cooper, Finance Officer

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City of White
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01
2026 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the City of White that the following sums are appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality.

Governmental Funds	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service</u> <u>Fund</u>				<u>Total</u>
410 City Council						
411 Legislative	\$17,500.00					\$17,500.00
411.5 Contingency	\$20,000.00					\$20,000.00
412 Executive	\$4,125.00					\$4,125.00
413 Elections	\$750.00					\$750.00
414 Financial Administration	\$50,100.00					\$50,100.00
414.1 Legal	\$10,000.00					\$10,000.00
414.2 Finance Officer/Clerk	\$95,870.00					\$95,870.00
Total City Council	\$198,345.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$198,345.00
420 Public Safety						
421 Police	\$23,000.00					\$23,000.00
422 Fire	\$58,215.00					\$58,215.00
Total Public Safety	\$81,215.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$81,215.00
430 Public Works						
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431 Highways and Streets	\$11,000.00					\$11,000.00
431.6 Street Lighting	\$5,000.00					\$5,000.00
431.7 Snow Removal	\$2,000.00					\$2,000.00
Total Public Works	\$119,710.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$119,710.00
440 Health and Welfare						
441 West Nile	\$3,600.00					\$3,600.00
446 Ambulance	\$3,500.00					\$3,500.00
Total Health and Welfare	\$7,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,100.00
450 Culture and Recreation						
451 Complex/Baseball	\$2,150.00					\$2,150.00
452 Parks	\$8,600.00					\$8,600.00
455 Libraries	\$2,500.00					\$2,500.00
456 McKnight Hall	\$34,100.00					\$34,100.00
458 Museum	\$1,000.00					\$1,000.00
Total Culture and Recreation	\$48,350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,350.00
460 Conservation and Development						
465 Pioneer Days	\$6,200.00					\$6,200.00
Total Conservation and Development	\$6,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,200.00
300 Debt Service						
301 Water Project		\$2,550,000.00				\$2,550,000.00
302 Sewer Project		\$2,550,000.00				\$2,550,000.00
Total Debt Service	\$0.00	\$5,100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,100,000.00
510 Other Financing Uses						
511 Operating Transfer--Out						\$0.00
Total 2026 Appropriations	\$460,920.00	\$5,100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,560,920.00

The following designates the fund or funds that money derived from the following sources is applied to.

Governmental Funds	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>				<u>Total</u>
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$83,560.00					\$83,560.00
310 Taxes	\$290,000.00					\$290,000.00

320 Licenses and Permits	\$1,760.00				\$1,760.00
330 Intergovernmental Revenue	\$32,200.00				\$32,200.00
340 Charges for Goods and Services	\$3,340.00				\$3,340.00
360 Miscellaneous Revenue	\$50,060.00				\$50,060.00
390 Transfer from Other Sources		\$4,258,000.00			\$4,258,000.00
Total Means of Finance	<u>\$460,920.00</u>	<u>\$4,258,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$4,718,920.00</u>

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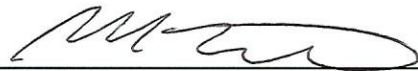
	<u>Water Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>Electric Fund</u>	<u>Solid Waste</u>
Proprietary and Fiduciary Funds				
Beginning Unrestricted Cash				
Estimated Revenue	\$110,000.00	\$82,000.00	\$461,000.00	\$45,000.00
Transfer In	\$37,310.00		\$62,500.00	
Other Financing Sources				
TOTAL AVAILABLE	<u>\$147,310.00</u>	<u>\$82,000.00</u>	<u>\$523,500.00</u>	<u>\$45,000.00</u>
Less Appropriations (Expenses)	\$147,310.00	\$27,850.00	\$523,500.00	\$37,000.00
Less Depreciation Reserve (SDCL 9-21-12)				
Less Transfer Out				
ESTIMATED NET POSITION RETAINED	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$54,150.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>

The finance officer is directed to certify the following dollar amount of tax levies made in this ordinance to the County Auditor.

Tax Levies Approved in Ordinance 2025-01
 For General Purposes

\$167,931.20

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(Signed and Dated by Mayor, acting Mayor, or President of Board of Trustees)

Matt Lagerstrom