

PUBLIC NOTICE

Madrid Water System

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MADRID, IOWA, 2018, BY AMENDING TITLE VI, PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT, CHAPTER 3, UTILITIES - WATER SYSTEM

Notice Is Hereby Given: That at 6:00 o'clock p.m., at the City Hall Council Chambers, Madrid, Iowa, on January 17, 2022, the City Council of the City of Madrid, Iowa, will hold a public hearing on an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Madrid, Iowa, 2018, by amending provisions pertaining to Title VI, Physical Environment, Chapter 3, Utilities - Water System.

The proposed ordinance will amend Section 6-3-18, Responsibility for Repairing or Replacing a Water Service Pipe. (as shown in Ordinance No. 481) by adding the following verbiage: If an existing water service pipe is to be repaired, the materials used for the repair shall be of the type and size specified for new service lines. If it is determined that half or more of either the section between the main and the curb valve or the section between the curb valve and the building served must be replaced, then the entire section must be replaced with materials as approved for new service lines.

The proposed ordinance will also add the following section: Section 6-3-20, Service Line Leaks; Repairs. An owner will make any ser-

vice line leak or repair at the owner's expense. The water utility will be allowed to inspect any repairs before covering such repairs with fill. Any leak found in the service line will be repaired as soon as possible to eliminate loss of water. Owners of service line leaks will be allowed to have a reasonable time to make needed repairs. If after a reasonable time period repairs have not been made, the water utility retains the right to make any needed repairs with all costs to be billed to the property owner. The property owner will repair all non-working or broken curb valves or curb valve boxes in a reasonable time (30 to 60 days) upon notification by the water utility. Any time lead service lines, goose-necks or other prohibited materials are uncovered, they shall be replaced at the owner's expense. Frozen service lines will be the owner's responsibility to thaw. The water utility will retain the right to use the curb valve when needed. The curb valve box lid should be level with the ground and workable and visible at all times. No one shall operate the curb valve without the water utility's permission. All repairs will need a permit from the water utility.

A copy of the proposed amended ordinance is on file for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

At said hearing any interested person may file written objections or comments and may be heard orally with respect to the subject matter of the hearing.