

RESOLUTION NO. 7339

A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmember Clark Duffy, setting forth the City of Topeka's policy for the sale of water to rural water districts, repealing Resolution No. 6870.

WHEREAS, the City of Topeka owns and operates a municipal water utility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Topeka has historically sold water to rural water districts pursuant to negotiated contracts; and

WHEREAS, such wholesaling of water to rural water districts provides the opportunity for the City to reinforce the City's water customer base and to stabilize the City's water rate structure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Topeka that it supports the sale of water to rural water districts subject to negotiated contracts which contain acceptable terms and conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Topeka that acceptable terms and conditions in rural water district contracts for the sale of water shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. Establishing "reasonable value" of the rural water district water system;
2. Requiring installation of rural water district waterlines in accordance with City design standards for those areas which are within three miles of the City boundaries;
3. Establishing a minimum water consumption amount;
4. Establishing the service areas of both the City of Topeka and the rural water district to differentiate between the urban and rural service areas, based on the current Growth Management Plan published by the Metropolitan Planning Department;


5. Establishing a maximum number of service connections based on those required for a typical rural water service provider.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public works department shall, no later than January 31 of each year, present an annual report outlining the current status of all rural water district contracts for the sale of water and the results of any contract negotiations during the previous calendar year.

BE IT RESOLVED that City of Topeka Resolution No. 6870 is hereby specifically rescinded.

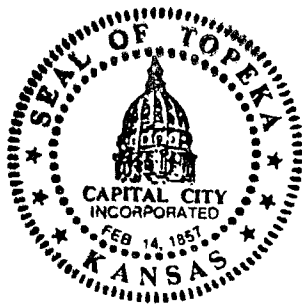
ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council MAY 06 2003.

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS



Harry Felker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Iris Walker
Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

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DATE 5/7/03 BY BL