

ORDINANCE #2270-17

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 197 "WATER" OF
THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WOODBURY**

WHEREAS, the following amendments to Chapter 197 have been recommended to the Mayor and Council; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Woodbury as follows:

Chapter 197-32 of the Code of the City of Woodbury, "Discontinuing water service; resumption", subsections A(7), B and C shall be **AMENDED** and henceforth read as follows:

A. (7) if as of January 1, 2017, or at any time thereafter a water and sewer bill has been estimated for six quarters or more, the user may be notified via hang tag left on the serviced property's door and via regular mail to the address that appears of record in the tax collector's office advising the owner of the date on or after which their water may be discontinued unless access is granted to replace the meter and/or transmitter. No billing adjustment for estimated billing will be made for more than one previous billing cycle pursuant to §197-33B(1).

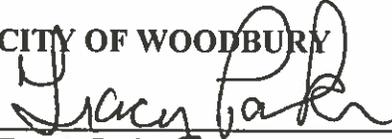
B. In the case of nonpayment of bills for service rendered and water consumed, or billing for sewer rentals, fees or installation, including the nonpayment of any interest, fines or penalties imposed, water service may be discontinued in the event that any bill remains unpaid 60 days after it is rendered. Written notice (hereinafter referred to as the "Discontinuance Notice") of not less than 10 days will be sent to the owner of the property via regular mail to the address that appears of record in the tax assessor's office advising the owner of the date on or after which their water service may be discontinued unless all outstanding amounts due are paid. No checks or online payments will be accepted after a Discontinuance Notice has been issued. All payments must be made in cash or certified funds. If a check was used as payment to avoid a Discontinuance Notice being sent, and that check was returned by the bank for insufficient funds or due to the account being closed, the service will be discontinued immediately without further notice.

C. In no case shall the water service be restored until the defects have been remedied and the bills due and interest, fines, penalties, and administrative fee have been paid in full. An administrative fee of \$100 will be charged and shall be due on a date set forth by the Billing Department in the notice provided for in §197-32B, which date shall not be less than 10 calendar days from the date of the notice. The owner of the premises shall be liable for any loss sustained by the department as the result of such defects.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as required by law.

THE FOREGOING was introduced by the City Council of the City of Woodbury at a regular meeting held on September 26, 2017. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption at final reading and public hearing to be held on October 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. or at such time as may be determined and announced, in City Hall, Council Chambers, 33 Delaware Street, Woodbury, New Jersey, at which time and place all persons interested will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. During the time prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said Ordinance will be made available at the City Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who may request same.

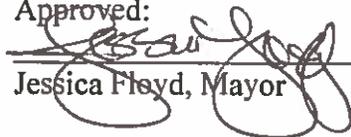
CITY OF WOODBURY



Tracey Parker,
President of Council

Attest: 
Daneen Fuss, City Clerk

Approved:


Jessica Floyd, Mayor