

**ORDINANCE NO. 1417**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUSTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS, AMENDING SECTION 18.01.100 OF THE RUSTON MUNICIPAL CODE TO CROSS REFERENCE CITY STANDARDS FOR ELECTRICAL CONNECTION WORK, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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WHEREAS, the City operates its own electrical utility; and

WHEREAS, the City is adopting public works standards under Ordinance No. 1416 which will be located in Chapter 12.09 of the Ruston Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, as part of the public works standards adopted by Ordinance No. 1416, the City adopted a "Ruston Electrical System Standard Manual"; and

WHEREAS, in order to make the Ruston Municipal Code more user-friendly, appropriate cross-references and housekeeping edits should be made; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to add a cross-reference to Section 18.01.100 to the Ruston Electrical System Standard Manual located in Chapter 12.09 RMC; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2013, the City Council held the first reading of this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2013, the City Council adopted this Ordinance during its regular meeting at the second reading; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSTON HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 18.01.100 of the Ruston Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

### **18.01.100 Connections.**

Any connections for electric service shall be made by such electricians as the Council may from time to time employ or designate for this purpose. Any person desiring an electric connection, whether for the purpose of introducing current into a building where service is not being given, or for an increase of service by the addition of any electrical appliances or facilities, shall make application for such connection or increase of facilities to the TownCity Clerk, upon forms to be provided by the TownCity. Any work performed under this chapter shall be in compliance with the standards adopted under Chapter 12.09 RMC.

The TownCity expressly reserves the right to disconnect service in any house, building or place where wiring or connections do not conform to the laws of the State of Washington or the rules and regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, as amended from time to time, and no new connection shall be made in any house, building or place in which the electric wiring, apparatus and fixtures do not conform to said laws or said rules and regulations. Inspection, for the purposes of this section, shall be made by such persons as the TownCity may from time to time employ or designate, and the determination of such inspectors shall be final, and no person shall have any claim or action against the TownCity on account of disconnecting service or refusing service upon the determination of said inspectors. Any person desiring to do or perform any electric wiring in any building, structure or place served or to be served by the TownCity electric distribution system shall, before commencing such wiring, obtain from the TownCity Clerk an electric wiring permit describing the property and the work. When the work is roughed in and before any wiring is covered the owner, lessee, contractor or person doing the work shall notify the TownCity Clerk, who shall call such inspector or inspectors as the TownCity Council may from time to time designate and no wiring shall be covered before such inspection has been made and the work passed as satisfactory by the inspector. If upon inspection the inspector shall notify the TownCity Clerk that a further inspection is necessary, before the work can be passed the person responsible shall be required to pay to the Clerk the additional fee for each subsequent inspection required by the laws of the TownCity of Ruston.

Fees for connections, heating permits, wiring permits and inspections have been fixed in this title and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 2. Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 3. Publication.** This Ordinance shall be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

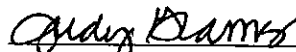
**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective five days after publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Ruston and attested by the City Clerk in authentication of such passage on this 6th day of August, 2013.

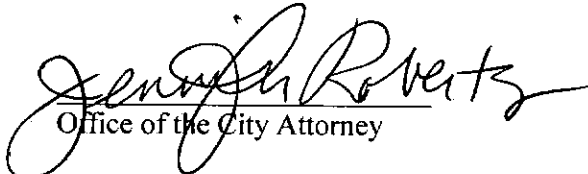
APPROVED by the Mayor this 6th day of August, 2013.

  
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Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Judy Grams, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Office of the City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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