

**ORDINANCE NO. 81-2025**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 “WATER METERS” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALO, IOWA**

**SECTION I. PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the water service infrastructure of the City of Palo and ensure the continual availability of clean and safe water service for the citizens of Palo.

**SECTION II. SECTION AMENDED.** The following section(s) is amended with struck through text indicating language removed and underlined text indicating new language.

**CHAPTER 91 WATER METERS**

**91.12 SEPARATE OUTSIDE METER FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL.**

The City may loan out a water meter that can be hooked to a garden hose for the sole purpose of outside uses. A customer may pick up a meter at City Hall, upon placing a \$150.00 deposit on file with the Clerk. This meter may be loaned out for no more than four days. Upon returning the meter, the Clerk will calculate the water that has been consumed at the residential rate. This figure will then be subtracted from the sewer portion of the consumer’s regular water/sewer utility billing such that the consumer will not be billed sewer for the gallons calculated by the outdoor meter.; ~~customer will pay for the water at this time. A record will be kept on the gallons used so that amount may be adjusted on the next monthly bill.~~

**SECTION III. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY.** If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be effective after its passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19 day of May 2025.

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Eric VanKerckhove, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lenna Goodale, City Clerk

First Reading: 5/19/25

Second Reading: 5/19/25

Third Reading: 5/19/25

Final Approval Given: 5/19/25

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 81-2025 on May 19, 2025.

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Lenna Goodale, City Clerk