

ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 9

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING CUSTOMERS TO PAY FOR DAMAGE TO
WATER METER EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Rockport, Indiana owns, operates, and manages a water utility for the benefit of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council deems it advisable to adopt an ordinance regarding damages to water utility equipment.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of Rockport Water Utility department will make ordinary repairs to meters, cables, pit pad toppers, readout devices, and other water utility equipment without expense to the customer when such repairs are not due to the customer's negligence.

SECTION 2. In those instances when cables, pit pad toppers, readout devices, or other water utility equipment are damaged due to the customer's negligence, the City of Rockport Water Utility will repair the damage. The first time that a customer negligently damages water utility equipment at the customer's service location, the customer will not be charged for the damages. In such instance the City of Rockport shall notify the customer in writing that the next time the customer negligently damages the water utility equipment at the customer's service location the customer will be liable to the City of Rockport for the cost of the parts and materials utilized in making the repairs. The cost of such parts and materials shall be added to the customer's next water bill.

Adopted this 9th day of October, 2017.

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF ROCKPORT, INDIANA

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ATTEST:

Susie Roberts
Susie Roberts,
Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Rockport, Indiana on the 9th day of
October, 2017 at 5:26 o'clock p.m.

Susie Roberts
Susie Roberts,
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved and signed by me this 9th day of October, 2017 at 5:26
o'clock p.m.

Gay Ann Harney
Gay Ann Harney, Mayor
City of Rockport