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**Secondary Deduct Water Meter Permit Application**

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**Date**

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**Address of Property Served**

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**District Parcel or Geo Parcel**  
(if address unknown)

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**Owner's Name**

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**Owner's Address, if different from above**

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**Email permit will be issued to**

**Upon approval of this application and issuance of all required permits, the property owner agrees to the following:**

That the secondary meter shall be furnished and maintained in a manner to provide accurate and continued service by, and at the expense of the property owner, for the purpose of separately metering water used exclusively for lawn, garden or similar use and which is not discharged into the sanitary sewer system. It is agreed and understood that Polk County will not allow for reimbursement of alleged excess charges which might result from malfunction or improper maintenance of the secondary meter. The sewer service charge shall be computed by deducting the water supply measured through the secondary meter and the remainder thus obtained shall be the basis for the sewer service charge for domestic sewage entering the sanitary sewer system.

The property owner agrees that payment to Polk County shall be through the Des Moines Water Works' Collection Agent, and that Polk County shall receive, from the property owner, the charges aforesaid in full payment of all sanitary sewer service charges due by reason of the property owner's contribution to the sanitary sewer system of Polk County. It is further agreed that the Collection Agent shall read said meters, determine the amount of charges, render a statement and receive payment, all as set forth in the Polk County Sanitary Sewer Use Ordinance. It is further agreed that the sanitary sewer service charge is set out in the Sewer Use Ordinance and any subsequent amendments thereto.

Any modifications to the building sewer system resulting in flows through the secondary meter being discharged to the sanitary sewer system is prohibited. The owner agrees that any violation shall result in the payment of sewer use charges computed on the basis of flows recorded by the secondary meter for the six months prior to the date the violation is discovered.

It is further agreed that the property owner's failure to comply with this application and the conditions in the application shall result in the forfeiture of the sewer service fee exemption for the secondary meter.

**It is understood that the secondary meter must be installed under permit by a qualified plumber and approved by the county plumbing inspector.**

The secondary meter requested hereon will be used for the following purposes:

Irrigation      Pool      A/C      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature of Owner**