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**WATER-SEWER-ELECTRICAL
EMERGENCY AFTERTHOUS:**

402-792-2212

City Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
24 Hour Drop Box

City of Hickman

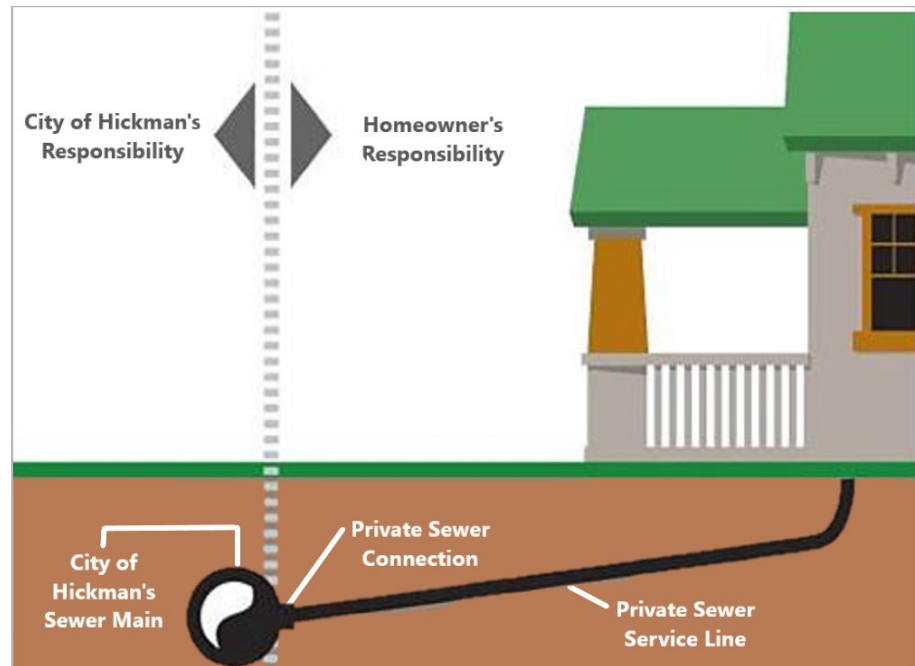
115 Locust Street
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City Newsletter: April 2018

Public vs. Private Utility Lines

The City of Hickman staff are often asked where the homeowner's responsibility for utility lines begin and end. This month we will focus on Waste Water (sewer) and will address Drinking Water and Electrical ownership in the future newsletters.

Sewer Ownership: Property owners are responsible for the sewer service line that runs through the private property and connects to the main sewer line (see graphic below). Per the City of Hickman's Municipal Code, Chapter 7, Article 3, only the main sewer lines are owned and maintained by the City. Privately owned portions of the sewer system include the drains inside the home or business, the lines beneath the property to which those drains connect, and the pipe and components necessary to connect the private sewer lines to the utility-owned main in the street or alley.



Recommendations:

Water Backup Insurance: It is highly recommended that you check with your homeowners insurance company to ensure water backup (sewer) coverage is included in your policy. Water backup insurance is NOT included in most standard insurance policies and the cost is fairly minimal. Backups can happen to anyone and can cause major property damage.

Call the City First: If you are having a water backup issue call the City Office at 402-792-2212. All afterhours calls are forwarded to an answering service and will notify the on call city official to check the City's main.

Sewer Gas Smell: If you smell sewer gas, pour a few glasses of water down your floor drains, the water blocking the gas commonly evaporates.



LOOK FOR THE NEW RECYCLING BINS AROUND TOWN

The City of Hickman has received a grant in the amount of \$8,980 thanks to the efforts of city staff Lyndsey Harms and Mala DeBerg. Funding is provided through the Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program from the City of Lincoln's Department of Public Works and Utilities Solid Waste Management Division.

15 recycling containers for aluminum cans and plastic bottles are being placed in the City parks and along the trails for your convenience. Let's all pitch in to keep Hickman beautiful.

Annual Dog License Reminder

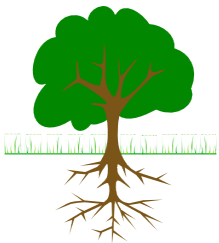
Dog Licenses for the City of Hickman expired on March 31, 2018. Please purchase your dog license at the City Office by submitting the licensing form and current rabies vaccine certificate. Every dog over 6 months old within the city limits is required to be licensed and have proof of a current rabies vaccination on file with the City (Municipal Code 3-204). 2018 Dog License forms are available on the City's website at www.hickman.ne.gov and at the City Office. Licensing fee is \$10 per dog for the first two dogs.

GO PAPERLESS

Hickman utility customers have an option to receive their bills via email. To get started, please send your email address and request for E-Billing to the Utility Billing Clerk at utilityclerk@hickman.ne.gov

Customers requesting this E-Billing option will no longer receive a paper utility bill.

Tree Rebate Program



The Hickman Tree Rebate Program is in place to encourage the planting of more trees in front yards. Contact the City Office **before** you purchase and plant at tree at 402-792-2212 to find out how you can receive a rebate of 75% of the purchase price (up to \$50.00).

Donate for Fireworks

Hickman Area Economic Development Association (HAEDA) is accepting contributions for the fireworks display on July 4th. Checks can be made payable to HAEDA and are requested to be mailed to the Hickman City Office before June 16th. Help make the Fireworks show great again this year!



Hickman Recycling Center

The City's Recycling Facility is located on 2nd Street West of the Railroad Tracks in Hickman's Main Park, Southwest of the Legion Baseball Field.

Items you can recycle include:

Tin and Aluminum Cans
Plastics - #1 through #5
Newspapers/ Mixed Paper/Cardboard
All Glass - Clear or Colored

**Do your part to help protect the
environment.**