



# Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Regulatory Services

**Date:** 4/2/10

**To:** Council member Glidden, Chair of Regulatory Services, Energy & Environment Committee

**Subject:** Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 48 to allow for permitting of temporary well installation.

**Recommendation:**

- Amend City of Minneapolis Code of Ordinance Title 3 Chapter 48 to include temporary well permitting.
- Amend the Director's fee schedule to include a temporary well permit with a fee of \$138.50

**Previous Directives:**

**Department Information**

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| Approved by: Lori Olson, Deputy Director of Env. Mgmt  | _____ |
| Burt Osborne, Director of Licenses   | _____ |
| Rocco Forte, Assistant City Coordinator  | _____ |
| Presenters in Committee: Lori Olson, Deputy Director, Patrick Hanlon, Supervisor Env. Services |       |
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**Reviews** *NA*

**Financial Impact** *X No financial impact*

**Community Impact**

**City Goals-**This ordinance contributes to The City of Minneapolis's *Goals of an Enriched Environment and A Safe Place to Call Home*

**Supporting Information-**

**Attached**

# CHAPTER 48.

## *Temporary Well Permitting*

### **Why changes are recommended?**

Environmental Services (ES) is required to oversee all well installation and well sealing in Minneapolis as part of our delegated well program through the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). ES issues permits for well installation and well sealing so we can monitor, inspect and keep records of these sites. In addition, to our own permitting record keeping we are required to report well records to the MDH and follow up with contractors on well log requirements at the end of the year. Permitting of temporary well activity will stream line our record keeping in a manner that is consistent with our other well permits. The proposed fee of 138.50 is based on the cost recovery model of regulatory services.

*Note: Temporary wells are used to monitor ground water quality during environmental site investigations typically done prior to a site development.*