



Municipal Natural Gas System Construction and Connection

April 23, 2013

The City of Brownnton expects that construction on the Municipal Natural Gas System within the city will start in June of 2013, and it is expected to be operational in time for use this coming winter. This handout outlines information regarding connecting to the natural gas system and converting your appliances.

- Service from the distribution line to the outside of the building will be installed at no cost to property owners within the city limits if the **Application for Natural Gas Service Connection** is submitted to the City by **July 1, 2013** and all requirements of the application are met. This will include a requirement that all internal piping and related conversion work is completed and approved by the Building Official, and the meter is turned on, no later than **July 1, 2014**.
- The work completed by the City will include the extension of the service line to a wireless meter on the outside of the building. The meter location will be determined in the field during construction in coordination with the property owner. The meter must be located in an approved manner that meets code, constructability and maintenance standards, as noted in the attached information.
- The maximum operating pressure of the distribution system is proposed to be about 66 psi, with a standard operating pressure of approximately 50 psi. There will be a service regulator installed immediately upstream of the individual wireless meters, reducing the pressure to 7 inches water column or about .25 psi. Customers/facilities requiring a higher pressure should notify the City so that provisions can be made.
- All other work, including internal conversions and piping, as well as potential efforts related to removing or mitigating LP or fuel tanks, will be the property owner's responsibility. Financing for this work may be able to be obtained from the Center for Energy & Environment (CEE). The City is expecting to work in coordination with CEE to hold a community workshop in June to discuss their financing options and provide other project related information. A notice is proposed to be sent out in May.
- Local contractors have been identified and contacted regarding their qualifications, ability and desire to work with property owners to complete natural gas conversions and other work. By coordinating efforts, we hope and expect that property owners may obtain better service at a lower price. The City of Brownnton is providing this information only as a service to property owners, and does not recommend or approve the use of any specific contractor. Property owners are *not* required to utilize these contractors. It is recommended that property owners obtain quotes and determine which contractor they believe would best serve them.

Hutchinson Plumbing and Heating	518 Hwy 7 E, Hutchinson	587.8439
TEK Mechanical Service, Inc.	220 – 5 th Ave NW, Hutchinson	587.2779
B & C Plumbing	15 Monroe St SE, Hutchinson	234.6900
Plumbing & Heating by Craig	680 Hwy 7 E, Hutchinson	587.7437
Foster Mechanical Inc.	945 – 5 th Ave SE, Unit 12, Hutchinson	587.4003
Mueller Sales & Service	330 10 th St E, Glencoe	864.3556
B & R Plumbing & Heating	216 N Main Street, Winthrop	507.647.5362

Please contact the City of Brownton staff at 320.328.5318 if you have questions or comments.

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