

BILL NO. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN, AND COMMUNICATE TO INDEPENDENCE RESIDENTS, THE VOLUNTARY NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES SERVICE LINE WARRANTY PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, water and sewer lines between the main and the connection on residential private property are owned by individual residential property owners; and,

WHEREAS, if and when private lines break, any necessary repairs are the responsibility of the homeowner; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Independence desires to offer residential property owners the opportunity, but not the obligation, to purchase a service line warranty; and,

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities Service Line Program, administered by Utility Service Partners (USP), Inc. d/b/a Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA), is offered nationally on a voluntary basis to help cities assist their residents by providing an affordable solution for sewer and water line repair or replacement, including thawing of frozen water lines; and,

WHEREAS, over 270 municipalities have partnered in this program, including the City of Kansas City, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, participation in the program by property owners is strictly voluntary, and such owners of property are free to choose whether or not to purchase this warranty coverage; and,

WHEREAS, any repairs and replacements of utility lines covered by this program are to be funded solely by USP d/b/a SLWA, administrators of the National League of Cities Service Line Program, and not by the City of Independence; and,

WHEREAS, by participating in the National League of Cities Service Line Program, the City will receive a credit on annual NLC dues, plus a royalty per warranty per month enrolled, thereby making additional funds available to assist with the delivery of City services; and,

WHEREAS, the City may cease participation in the program at any time and for any reason, subject to 90 day notice;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement to participate in, and communicate to residents, the National League of Cities Service Line Program, which is to be offered to Independence residents as a voluntary program at no cost to the City.

PASSED THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2018, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager