

## Master Metering Guidelines

### Multi Level Structure Metering

#### **Residential and Commercial**

All two level installations with separate owners for top and bottom levels shall be individually metered. Facing the front of the building the left most meter serving the bottom level and the right most serving the upper level.

All three and/or more level structures shall be master metered with a minimum District approved 2" compound master meter for domestic use.

If sprinkling is required with a master meter setting, a dedicated water line for fire protection shall be installed and metered with a District approved fire line meter. The dedicated sprinkler line, hydrants, back-flow devices, and related appurtenances located behind the meter vault shall be operated and maintained by the Home Owners Association or owner with a commitment letter from Developer certifying ownership and responsibility for operation and maintenance of dedicated fire line. The dedicated sprinkler line shall be distinctively color coded (purple) to allow it to be easily distinguished from the potable waterline.

**Note: All residential master metering for three or more level structures shall pay capacity fees based on # of REU's and not meter size.**

### Campus and Commercial Settings

**Strip Development** with two or more units may be master metered provided the owner of the building agrees to be responsible for the water and sewer bill or they may be individually metered if the owner elects to have the tenants be responsible for the water and sewer bills.

A commercial office complex, where multiple tenants are occupying the same building, must be master metered and the owner of the building will be responsible for water and sewer bill.

Commercial campus settings, with a common owner for property and buildings, may be master metered provided the owner of the property agrees to be responsible for the water and/or sewer bill(s). Minimum monthly charges will be based on domestic water service line size requirement. If the owner elects to have the tenants be responsible for the water and sewer bills, master metering of campus setting is not allowed. Individual meter(s) must be installed. Approval to locate private water and/or sewer facilities must be obtained from public entities for all public roadways.

If sprinkling is required with a master meter setting, a dedicated water line shall be installed and metered with District approved fire line meter. The dedicated sprinkler line, hydrants, back flow devices and related appurtenances located behind the meter vault shall be operated and maintained by the owner with commitment letter from owner certifying ownership and responsibility for operation and maintenance of dedicated fire line. The dedicated sprinkler line shall be distinctively color coded (purple) to allow it to be easily distinguished from the portable waterline.

**Note: All master metering shall be with a minimum 2" District approved meter with water capacity fee based on the 2" meter. If flow can't be determined sewer capacity fee will be based on a 1 CEU minim per unit under same roof. If flow can be determined sewer capacity fee will be based on SCDHC flow chart. If in any situation described above the real property and structure(s) have different owners master metering will only be allowed if the owner of the real property agrees to accept responsibility for payment of all water and/or sewer bill(s).**