

TITLE 19

ELECTRICITY AND GAS

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19-101. Electrical service not to be turned on or off without authority. No person shall turn electrical service on or off from private premises, except by permission by a duly designated representative of the Mount Pleasant Power System. (1984 Code, § 13-301)

19-102. Unlawful to tamper with meters, etc. It shall be unlawful to tamper with any of the meters, poles, lines, transformers, or any other electrical equipment of the Mount Pleasant Power System. "Tampering" shall include breaking the seal on any electrical meter. (1984 Code, § 13-302)

19-103. Penalties. Any person found to be violating any section of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished under the general penalty clause for this municipal code. Each day upon which such violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense and shall be punishable as such. (1984 Code, § 13-303)

19-104. Additional penalties. In addition to the foregoing penalties, electrical service may be discontinued to any person found to be in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, and any person found to be in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be civilly liable to the City of Mount

¹Municipal code reference
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19-201. Gas board created; board of directors, membership. There is hereby created and established the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, Gas Board. This board and board of directors shall consist of five (5) members consisting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee. The terms of said board shall be concurrent with the respective term of each individual as a member of the governing body of the City of Mount Pleasant. The members of said board of directors shall receive such compensation for their services that may be approved by resolution duly adopted by said board of directors. Such compensation shall not exceed that permitted by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 7-82-208. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-202. Advisory committee; terms of members. The Board of Directors of the Mount Pleasant Gas Department shall appoint an advisory committee on gas utilities. Such advisory committee shall be composed of residents and customers of the utility system and the members of said advisory committee shall have the same term and shall be of the same number as the governing board. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-203. Powers and duties. The Board of Directors of the Mount Pleasant Gas Department shall have the powers, duties, obligations and be entitled to such compensation as is provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 7-82-101, et seq. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-204. By-laws, rules and regulations authorized. The Mount Pleasant Gas Board shall have the power to adopt by-laws and rules and regulations for the proper conduct and operation of the Mount Pleasant Gas Department, and its functions. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-205. Time of regular meetings. The regular meeting of the Mount Pleasant Gas Board shall be held on the third Tuesday at 6:30 P.M. of each month. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985, modified)

19-206. Management. The gas department provided herein shall operate as a separate utility department of the City of Mount Pleasant. The city manager of said city shall act and serve as the general manager of said department and shall have the rights, powers and duties provided hereunder and provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-18-101, et seq. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

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19-301. Application and scope. The provisions of this chapter are a part of all contracts for receiving gas service from the city and shall apply whether the service is based upon contract, agreement, signed application, or otherwise. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-302. Obtaining service. A formal application for either original or additional service must be made and be approved by the city before connection or meter installation orders will be issued and work performed. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-303. Application and contract for service. Each prospective customer desiring gas service will be required to sign a standard form of contract before service is supplied. If, for any reason, a customer, after signing a contract for service, does not take such service by reason of not occupying the premises or otherwise, he shall reimburse the city for the expense incurred by reason of its endeavor to furnish said service.

The receipt of a prospective customer's application for service, regardless of whether or not accompanied by a deposit, shall not obligate the city to render the service applied for. If the service applied for cannot be supplied in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and general practice, the liability of the city to the applicant shall be limited to the return of any deposit made by such applicant.

Effective September 1, 2012, a Residential Gas Incentive Program is established for customers obtaining natural gas pursuant to the program. Pursuant to the program the city will provide a free tap and up to five hundred feet (500') of any new service line without charge for any customer within the

current gas system service area. After the first five hundred feet (500') the service line cost is one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per foot. Any customer participating in the program must have a natural gas appliance properly and permanently installed in the residence or accessory structure, complete the proper application and post the appropriate deposit and connection fee. In addition, the customer must maintain gas service for twelve (12) consecutive months. Discontinuing service prior to the expiration of twelve (12) consecutive months will result in the customer being charged for the cost of the service line at a prorated monthly rate. This gas incentive program is in addition to and supplemental of the Standard Application and Contract for Service which remains available at the customer's option. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985, as amended by Ord. #2012-947, Sept. 2012)

19-304. Meter deposit. A deposit per meter connection will be required of all domestic customers. Deposits required of customers other than residential customers shall be determined by the city manager and gas inspector, based on an estimate of the monthly use of gas. Deposits shall be returned to the customer upon cessation of services and payment in full of bills. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-305. Connection charges. Customers who apply for gas service will be charged a fee for the installation of any new service line up to one hundred (100) feet. In all cases that part of a service line in excess of this allowable distance to the meter installation shall be installed at the cost of the customer, but shall become the property of the municipal natural gas system. Service installation for old customers at new locations will be handled as a new connection; however, no charge will be made if a service connection at the new location exists.

Effective September 1, 2012, in addition to and supplementary to the foregoing, a customer opting to utilize the city's residential gas incentive program (§ 19-303), shall not be required to pay a tap fee nor will such customer be charged for the new service line up to five hundred feet (500'); provided the cost for any service line in excess of five hundred feet (500') is one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per foot. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985, as amended by Ord. #2012-947, Sept. 2012)

19-306. Schedule of rates. All gas service including the meter deposit referred to in § 19-304, and the connection charge referred to in § 19-405 or the reconnection charge referred to in § 19-310, shall be furnished under such rate schedules as the Board of Directors of the Mount Pleasant Gas Department may adopt from time to time by appropriate ordinance or resolution. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-307. Access to facilities. The application for service shall include a permit from the customer allowing access to the meter, regulator, and service line by the officials or employees of the municipal natural gas system. All lines, regardless of how installed, up to and including the meter, shall be the property of the municipal natural gas system. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-308. Customer billing and payment policy. (1) Gas bills shall be rendered monthly and shall designate a standard net payment period for all customers of not less than ten (10) days after the date of the bill. Failure to receive a bill will not release a customer from payment obligation. There is established for all customers a late payment charge not to exceed ten percent (10%) for any portion of the bill paid after the net payment period.

(2) The customer's bill should be paid on or before the fifteenth day of each month in order to receive the net price on the monthly bill. Payments received after the fifteenth of each month, but prior to the twenty-fifth of each month, will incur a ten percent (10%) late penalty charge.

(3) If a customer fails to make payment by the twenty-fifth of each month, then an automatic twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) service fee will be added. In addition thereto, the termination of services process as set forth in § 19-309, termination or refusal of service, shall be commenced.

(4) Payment must be received no later than the due date. If the due date falls on Saturday, Sunday or a city holiday, net payment will be accepted if paid on the next business day.

(5) Customers may receive an extension to pay their monthly bill upon written request to the city manager or the director of public works. To receive an extension, the customer must make the request at least two (2) days prior to the disconnect date and have justifiable cause. Further, the customer must pay fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding bill at the time the payment extension agreement is initiated and the remaining fifty percent (50%) within two (2) weeks from said date. A request for a payment extension is limited to two (2) per year if based upon justifiable cause and a second request may not be made while an extension is in effect. Failure to abide with the terms and conditions of a payment extension request shall disqualify a customer from receiving another extension.

(6) If a meter fails to register properly, or if a meter is removed to be tested or repaired, or if water is received other than through a meter, the city reserves the right to render an estimated bill based on the best information available. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985, as replaced by Ord. #2011-930, June 2011, and amended by Ord. #2012-942, March 2012, and Ord. #2017-1010, Oct. 2017)

19-309. Termination or refusal of service. (1) Basis of termination or refusal. The city shall have the right to discontinue gas service or refuse to connect service for a violation of or a failure to comply with any of the following:

- (a) These rules and regulations, including the non-payment of bills;
- (b) The customer's application for service;
- (c) The customer's contract for service.

The right to discontinue service shall apply to all gas services received through collective single connections or services, even though more than one (1) customer or tenant is furnished services therefrom, and even though the delinquency or violation is limited to only one (1) such customer or tenant.

(2) Termination of service. Written notice shall be provided to the customer before termination of gas service according to the following terms and conditions:

(a) Written notice of the termination (cut off) of gas service shall be conspicuously provided on customer's bills and shall include the following information:

- (i) Payment terms;
- (ii) Late payment penalty;
- (iii) Customer's right to hearing with information on how to request a hearing; and
- (iv) Clear language regarding cut off if not paid by a date certain. In the event of a termination (cut off) of gas service for a reason other than the non-payment of bills, a separate notice will be provided to the customer directly, or if the customer is not available, by notice left at a location conspicuous to the customer at the place of service.

(b) Each customer has the right to a hearing prior to termination of services. Customers shall be notified of their right to a hearing as provided in the preceding section. Hearings for service termination, including for non-payment of bills, will be held by appointment at city hall between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on any business day or by special request or appointment a hearing may be scheduled outside those hours.

(c) Termination will not be made on any preceding day when the water and/or sewer department is scheduled to be closed.

(d) If a customer does not request a hearing or in the case of non-payment of a bill does not make payment of the bill or does not otherwise correct the problem that resulted in the termination in a manner satisfactory to the gas department, same shall proceed as noted on the customer's billing.

(e) Service termination for any reason shall be reconnected only after the payment of all charges due for all accounts the customer may have with the city, plus the payment of a reconnection charge.

(f) With respect to any customer whose service has been terminated and whose service has not been reinstated in accordance with the provisions hereof on or by the twenty-fifth day of the month following termination, the account for such customer shall be closed and any deposit related to such account shall be applied to delinquent bills, late penalty charges and service fees. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985, as replaced by Ord. #2011-931, June 2011)

19-310. Reconnection charge. Customers who have their service discontinued for any reason and make applications for reinstallation at the same location within twelve (12) months will be charged a fee. No one other than the gas inspector or his assistants shall be authorized to cut gas on or off. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-311. Termination of service by customer. Customers who have fulfilled their contract terms and wish to discontinue service must give at least three (3) days notice to that effect unless the contract specifies otherwise. Notice to discontinue service prior to the expiration of a contract term will not relieve the customer from any minimum or guaranteed payment under such contract or applicable rate schedule.

When service is being furnished to an occupant of premises under a contract not in the occupant's name, the city reserves the right to impose the following conditions on the right of the customer to discontinue service under such a contract:

(1) Written notice of the customer's desire for such service to be discontinued shall be required; and the city shall have the right to continue such service for a period of not to exceed ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, during which time the customer shall be responsible for all charges for such service. If the city should continue service after such ten (10) day period subsequent to the receipt of the customer's written notice to discontinue service, the customer shall not be responsible for charges for any service furnished after the expiration of such ten (10) day period.

(2) During such ten (10) day period, or thereafter, the occupant of premises to which service has been ordered discontinued by a customer other than such occupant may be allowed by the city to enter into a contract for service in the occupant's own name with respect to a new application for service. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

19-312. Inspections. The city shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to inspect any installation or piping system before gas service is furnished or at any later time. The city reserves the right to refuse service or to discontinue service to any premises not meeting standards fixed by municipal ordinances regulating building and plumbing, or not in accordance with any special contract, these rules and regulations, or other requirements of the city.

Any failure to inspect or reject a customer's installation or piping system shall not render the city liable or responsible for any loss or damage which might have been avoided had such inspection or rejection been made. (Ord. #85-662, April 1985)

CHAPTER 4

GAS SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS

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19-401. Definitions. That the following words and phrases shall have the meaning set out below, when used in this chapter.

(1) "Authorized installing agency." Shall be any person, firm, corporation, or contractor, who has complied with this chapter and who has been issued a certificate by the City of Mount Pleasant, Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, as herein provided, to engage in the work of installing and repairing gas piping appliances, fixtures and equipment in the City of Mount Pleasant, or to any person receiving gas service from the natural gas distribution system of the City of Mount Pleasant.

(2) "City recorder." The person occupying the position and performing the duties of recorder, as provided by said uniform city manager charter.

(3) "Consumer." Any person, firm, corporation or association receiving gas service from the natural gas distribution system of the City of Mount Pleasant.

(4) "Gas code." The International Fuel Gas Code, 2006 edition, as amended, as published by the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

(5) "Gas inspector." The City Manager of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee or his duly authorized representative, or the person designated by the Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors to make inspection of the consumer gas piping and natural gas pumping facilities.

(6) "Gas system." The natural gas distribution system constructed, owned and operated by the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, including the transmission line from the gate station to the meter facilities at the transmission line of gas providers to the city.

(7) "Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors." The governing body of the Mount Pleasant Gas System as described in title 19, chapter 2, of the Mount Pleasant Municipal Code.

(8) All definitions contained in the International Fuel Gas Code, 2006 edition, as amended, are hereby adopted by this chapter and when used herein, or in connection with the natural gas distribution system of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, shall apply. (as added by Ord. #2010-911, June 2010)

19-402. Certification and qualification of an authorized installing agency. (1) In addition to the requirements of § 12-404 of the Mount Pleasant Municipal Code and supplemental thereto but not in conflict thereof, and in order to determine that the provisions of the gas code hereinbefore adopted are fully complied with and that those persons, firms or corporations engaged in the business of installing gas appliances, systems, facilities and equipment, are properly qualified to engage in business, the gas inspector as herein defined, shall examine all applicants desiring to engage in such work, and upon being satisfied of the applicant's fitness for such permit, shall issue certificates as hereinafter provided.

(2) All person, firms, corporations, contractors, or associations desiring to engage in the work or business of installing gas piping, appliances, fixtures, equipment, or gas systems, including the repair and change over of the same, in the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, or in or upon the property of any person receiving gas service from the gas system of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee shall make application to the gas inspector on such form and in such manner as the gas inspector may determine, under his rules and regulations, and said applicants shall personally appear before the gas inspector to be examined as to their qualifications and ability to operate and engage in such business, and no person, firm, association, or corporation shall engage in such business or install or repair any gas appliances, gas systems, or equipment until such persons, firms or corporations have been approved by the gas inspector and a certificate issued to the applicant authorizing it to engage in such business. Upon the issuance of such permit, such person, firm, corporation or association shall be a qualified installing agency as defined and provided by this chapter.

(3) The examination herein provided shall be in the form and manner deemed proper by the gas inspector, under such rules and regulations as may be adopted from time to time by the Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, and said applicant shall be examined by the gas inspector to determine the qualifications and abilities, and no person, firm, association or corporation shall engage in such business until it has been approved by the gas inspector and a certificate issued to it, authorizing the engaging in such business.

(4) The applicant shall furnish satisfactory evidence to the gas inspector that qualified and competent laborers and workmen shall be used by the installing agency in the installation, replacement or repair of consumer gas piping, or the connection, installation, repair or servicing of gas appliances and/or gas burning equipment and such installing agency shall be responsible for seeking that such work is performed in a safe and workmanlike manner, and up to the standard of the art of this kind of work, and that the same is performed in accordance with good engineering practices, as used by those persons, firms, and/or corporation experienced in such work, and familiar with all the precautions required for utmost safety in such field of work, and that such complies with all provisions of the gas code herein adopted.

(5) Any permit to engage in the work or business of a qualified gas installing agency, hereinbefore defined, may be revoked by the gas inspector for failure to comply with all city ordinances or with the gas code herein adopted or that may be hereafter adopted by the Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, and the rules and regulations governing the installation of servicing and repairing of gas systems, gas burning systems and equipment or such certificate may be revoked for allowing or permitting said work to be carried on in an unworkmanlike manner by those employed by or under the supervision of an authorized gas installing agency or by allowing and permitting and using unqualified labor in the performance of work or allowing or permitting the same to be done in a hazardous or dangerous manner or for continued inefficient work by said authorized installing agency.

(6) Each applicant for a certificate to qualify as an installing agency shall pay to the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee at the office of the city recorder, at the time of making such application, a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00), and at the time of renewal of such certificate of an installing agency, there shall be paid to the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). The fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall not be refunded in the event the applicant is not granted a certificate as an installing agency but shall be retained by the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee to defray the cost of investigation and examination herein provided.

The certificate of an installing agency shall expire on December 31, following the date of issuance, but may be renewed by the holder thereof without further examination or application, provided that the holder is not in violation of any of the rules and regulations of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee and/or its gas inspector and if in the opinion of the gas inspector it is unnecessary to have an examination of the gas installing agency. The Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors may, however, upon the expiration of any certificate, require a new application and examination of any gas installing agency.

(7) The owner of the business or the senior member or acting head of a firm or corporation engaged in the business of a gas installing agency, shall be considered as the person responsible for all work done by such installing agency, as herein defined and provided for.

(8) No certificate shall be issued to an installing agency by the gas inspector until evidence has been submitted that such installing agency is properly bonded by a corporate surety bond in the penal sum of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) and that said corporate surety company be authorized and qualified to do business in the State of Tennessee; such bond shall be payable to the City of Mount Pleasant Tennessee, for its use and benefit and to any citizen or gas consumer, who may be damaged by the failure of such qualified installing agency, to comply strictly with the gas code herein adopted and the ordinances of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee

with reference thereto, or who may be damaged by any negligence committed, or imperfect or defective work done by such installing agency, or by any person in the employ or under the supervision of such installing agency while acting in the scope and course of their employment. Said bond shall be so conditioned as to require the installing agency to comply with all of the provisions of the city's gas code as herein defined and adopted or any provisions, revisions, amendments, or supplements which might be made or added thereto, from time to time. In such bond the qualified gas installing agency shall indemnify and save harmless the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee and all persons therein from loss, costs, or damages caused by negligence or inadequate, imperfect, or defective work done by such installing agency or any of its employees. Said bond shall be filed and remain on file with the City Recorder of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee.

(9) The bond hereinbefore provided shall contain a provision that the surety company issuing the same shall not cancel the bond without notifying the Recorder of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee and the gas inspector as hereinbefore provided. In the event said bond is not renewed at the end of each year, or that the same is canceled, then immediately the gas inspector, acting upon notice of the city recorder, shall revoke the certificate of such installing agency and shall terminate all of its rights and privileges to engage further in the business of installing agency as hereinbefore defined and until said bond is renewed or a new bond obtained and filed as herein provided, no new certificate shall be issued to such installing agency.

(10) Every applicant, for a certificate to serve as an authorized installing agency, shall furnish evidence that it or he has obtained a comprehensive general products liability insurance policy with limits of not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) in the case of each individual or one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) as to each accident for bodily injury, and five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) property damage as to each property owner, or one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in the aggregate for all damages to property, and which policy shall provide that in the event the same is terminated or canceled for any reason, notice of such cancellation shall simultaneously be given to the city recorder. Upon the termination or cancellation of said insurance policy, the certificate of an installing agency, which shall have been theretofore issued by the gas inspector, shall be immediately revoked or in the discretion of the gas inspector, suspended.

The insurance policy hereinbefore provided shall be issued by some insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Tennessee but shall be subject to approval by the gas inspector and/or the Mount Pleasant Gas System Board of Directors, and said insurance policy shall at all times as hereinbefore provided, be kept on file in the office of the city recorder.

(11) No firm, association, person or corporation shall engage in the work of an installing agency, nor shall any person, firm, association, or corporation install in any building of any character in the City of Mount Pleasant,

Tennessee, or in any building to which gas shall be supplied from the gas system of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, any gas pipe, appliances, or equipment using natural gas, manufactured gas, or liquefied petroleum gas or mixture thereof, unless such person, firm, or corporation holds a valid certificate issued by the gas inspector as hereinbefore provided. The gas inspector or any person designated by him or in his employ shall not connect the gas piping or system in such building to the gas system unless the same has been installed by a qualified installing agency as defined and provided for in this chapter.

(12) No property owner shall cause or permit any installation, modification, change to, conversion or repair of any gas house piping or gas appliances, as hereinabove provided, in the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee or in its gas service territory or receiving gas from the gas system of the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee unless such person, firm or corporation is a duly qualified installing agency as herein provided and defined, and the fact that such work has been done by other than an authorized installing agency, qualified as herein provided, shall be sufficient to hold and render the property owner responsible for the violation of this chapter and amenable to all provisions of the same.

(13) Penalty. It is hereby declared a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each and every violation on a daily basis. (as added by Ord. #2010-911, June 2010)

19-403. Meter location and turning on and off of gas. (1) All meters shall be installed on the outside of the building to be served and at such location as may be determined by the gas inspector and shall be such that the meter connections are easily accessible in order that the meter may be read or changed.

No gas meter shall be installed under a step, stairway, window, or near a furnace, boiler or other appliances.

Under no circumstances shall anyone not employed by the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee be permitted to open or make connection to the service pipe or service extension, or set or remove the meter or do any work on any part of the natural gas distribution system, including the meter, except that the gas may be turned off at the meter in case a hazardous condition may arise. When the meter has been turned off; the gas inspector shall be immediately notified and after obtaining a permit and the repairs have been made and approved, the meter shall be turned on and service restored, provided, however, that this turning on and off of the gas may be done only by the gas inspector or any designated representative.

Whenever more than one (1) meter is supplied through one (1) service line, a stopcock shall be installed at each meter inlet, in addition to the service line stop.

(2) It shall be unlawful and a misdemeanor for any person to trespass upon, injure, molest, deface, damage, destroy or carry away any portion of the

natural gas distribution system or for any person to tap or interfere with any gas line or gas pipe, constituting a part of the natural gas distribution system; or for any person to turn on the gas to any premises at any time except as directed by the gas inspector or his duly authorized representative.

It shall be unlawful and a misdemeanor for any person, firm, association or corporation to violate any of the foregoing provisions of this chapter and each day's violation shall be considered a separate offense. Upon conviction for the violation of the foregoing provisions of this chapter, the offender or offenders shall be fined fifty dollars (\$50.00). (as added by Ord. #2010-911, June 2010)

19-404. Non-liability. This chapter shall not be construed as imposing upon the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee any liability or responsibility for damages to any person injured by any defect in any gas piping or appliance mentioned herein or by installation thereof, nor shall the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, or any official or employee thereof, be held as assuming any such liability or responsibility by reason of the permitting or inspection authorized hereunder or any certificate of approval issued by the gas inspector. (as added by Ord. #2010-911, June 2010)

19-405. Delinquent gas, water, sewer and/or sanitation bill. Utility services provided by the City of Mount Pleasant, Tennessee are included in a singular billing itemized with respect to the service provided. A default in payment of any portion of said utility account provides a basis for the discontinuation or refusal to provide all utility services. For further specifics regarding the discontinuation or refusal of service see § 19-309 of the Mount Pleasant Municipal Code. (as added by Ord. #2010-911, June 2010)