



**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PROPERTY OWNER’S FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
FOR REPLACEMENT OF PRIVATE LEAD WATER SERVICE LATERALS AND
CONSENT AFFORDING ACCESS TO VILLAGE’S CONTRACTOR FOR SAID
REPLACEMENT**

WHEREAS, the consumption of water containing elevated levels of lead may cause negative public health effects in the Village of Shorewood; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recently approved a “Lead and Copper Revision” for all public water systems in the United States, which will lower the acceptable level of lead in drinking water, will increase public utility testing, and require communities, including Shorewood, to implement a mandatory lead service line replacement program under federal regulations; and

WHEREAS, over 90% of the homes in Shorewood were constructed with water lead water service lines; and

WHEREAS, each privately owned residence or building in Shorewood has a water service line extending from the curb stop valve into the residence or building where the water meter is located, which is a “private service lateral” and thus the responsibility of the property owner as laid out in Village Code § 415.20. C; and

WHEREAS, for the benefit of the welfare, health, and safety of Shorewood, the Village has set the goal of systematically replacing all lead service lines, both public and private, and to be proactive in relation to new EPA standards. To that end, the Village has passed an ordinance requiring private property owners to replace any private lead water service laterals moving forward whenever the Utility undertakes water main project serving those properties (The Village has also committed to replacing the lead on the “public” side of the service line.); and

WHEREAS, the Village is in a position to negotiate favorable fees and costs for replacing the private lead water service laterals, and having property owners use the Village’s contractor is in the interests of both the Village and property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Shorewood Water Utility has received approval from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission to provide financial assistance for customers to replace the customer side private lead water service lateral lines; and

WHEREAS, federal monies obtained by the Village will fund 75% of the cost to replace the property owner portion of the private lead water service line.

WHEREAS, further details concerning the Lead Service Line Replacement Program can be found in Village of Shorewood Policy No. 44 and Ordinance 3043.

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, THE PROPERTY OWNER SIGNING BELOW HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPLACEMENT OF PRIVATE LEAD WATER SERVICE LATERALS AND CONSENTS TO AFFORDING ACCESS TO VILLAGE’S REPRESENTATIVES, EMPLOYEES, AND CONTRACTOR FOR SAID REPLACEMENT AS FOLLOWS:

- The property owner acknowledges financial responsibility for the replacement of the private lead water service line at the property listed herein, beyond what may be provided by the financial assistance referenced in the “WHEREAS” clauses above and discussed in Village of Shorewood Policy No. 44;
- The property owner agrees to allow the Village’s contractor, employees and agents reasonable access to their property as necessary to complete replacement of the private lead water service lateral. This access shall remain in effect until completion of the construction and include:
 - Granting of access on, in, and around the property grounds to verify information related to the service line and its location, and to carry out all other tasks associated with the service line replacement and restoration;
 - Providing clear access to the area surrounding the meter to facilitate the service line connection;
 - Working in conjunction with the Village’s contractor to schedule reasonable access to complete all work in the timeframe identified by the Village;
- The property owner agrees to any necessary modifications to the existing water meter connection to meet applicable code requirements associated with the latest plumbing standards.
- The property owner agrees to assume responsibility for proper bonding of the water service as required by the National Electrical Code, if necessary. Work shall be done by licensed electrician at property owner’s cost.
- The water service line replacement standard size shall be one (1) inch; if the existing meter size is greater than one inch, the service line shall be sized to match the existing meter.

Address of Property

Phone number REQUIRED

Print Name of Property Owner Here

Email Address REQUIRED

Signature of Property Owner Here

Signature of Property Owner(s) Here