

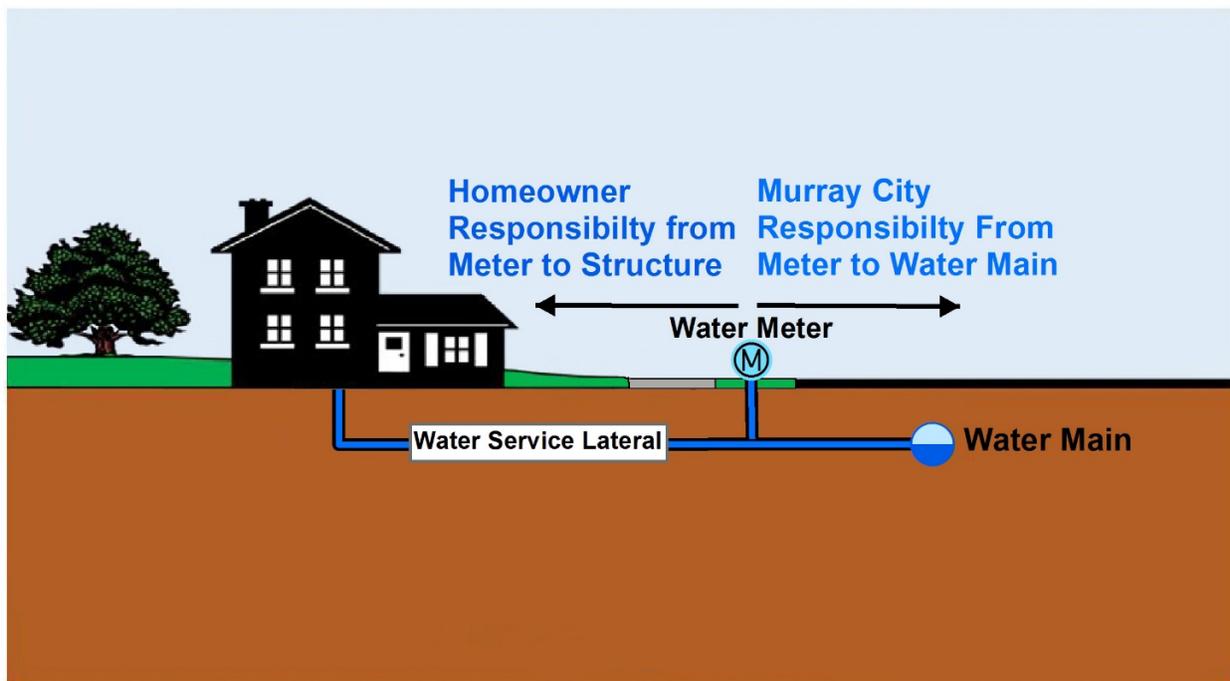
WATER SERVICE LATERAL OWNERSHIP NOTICE

Did you know that YOU, as a property owner, own the water service lateral that runs from your home or business to the City's water meter? As a result, you have the responsibility to maintain your lateral. Maintaining the lateral includes keeping the lateral in good working condition by replacing or making the necessary repairs to the line. Over the years Murray City has developed proven construction standards for both new and replacement service laterals to insure that the service lines are safe and will last for years to come.

Water service laterals typically extend from the building or structure to the City's water meter, typically located within the City's right of way or easement (see attached depiction). Therefore, Murray City has the responsibility to maintain the line from the water main line to the meter. However, in some cases you may live in a private community and may be responsible for the service line, not just from your home or business to the meter but, also from the meter to the water main line in the street. This means that the water service laterals are owned by the property owner(s) they serve and the City is not responsible for their repair or maintenance. Unfortunately, because water service laterals are out of sight, they remain out of our minds and therefore are forgotten, until they fail.

The purpose of this flyer is to educate you of this responsibility. In some instances, your property insurance may cover a break or damage to your water service lateral. We suggest you review your policy to determine if you have the necessary coverage you desire.

NOTE – Murray City does not offer any type of lateral insurance.



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