

From: [Toni Wheeler](#)
To: [John Shutak](#); [Phillip Ciesielski](#)
Subject: FW: Question regarding City Code 19-112
Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2012 1:08:04 PM

See the Finance department's historical information below. Thanks.

From: Ed Mullins
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 2:31 PM
To: Toni Wheeler
Subject: RE: Question regarding City Code 19-112

Toni, It does not appear that we have a definition of premise in the code. I checked with Cindy and she stated that we do have some commercial developments that have one meter that services multiple businesses that our housed in one building. In these cases the property owner, rather than the tenants, are responsible for paying the bill. We also have multi-family complexes that do not have separate service for each apartment.

In this case, if we are referring to physically separate buildings, I would think multiple service lines would be required, because even if there is common ownership initially, it is possible to have separate ownership (premise) in the future. In the case of apartment complexes, we have a water meter for each building. Finally, they should check with building inspection to determine what the building code requires. We should not have the billing ordinance conflict with our building code.

Ed Mullins
Finance Director
City of Lawrence, KS

From: Toni Wheeler
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 12:43 PM
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See John's question below. Can you weigh in on the interpretation?

From: John Shutak
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2012 9:24 AM
To: Toni Wheeler
Subject: Question regarding City Code 19-112

Toni,

City Code 19-112 states the following:

“Separate premises shall have separate pipe installations and shall be separately metered.”

As this relates to commercial type developments with multiple buildings on a single lot, I have

understood this to mean that each building is required to have a separate metered service connection and thus a separate sewer service connection as referenced in City Code 19-214(C). Is this interpretation correct?

Thanks,

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