

CITY OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA

Informational Sheet

We welcome you to Estherville and hope you enjoy our community. A partial map of the city is attached with locations of our hospital, schools, and other facilities a new resident may need to find.

Telephone service may be established by contacting **Qwest** at (800) 244-1111.

Cable hookup may be arranged by calling **Mediacom** at (800) 332-0245.

Natural gas service may be established by calling **Black Hills Energy** at (888) 890-5554.

Listed below are some of the common questions asked of city personnel.

Q: Is the city zoned?

A: Yes, the use of land in the various areas of the city is regulated. Our Community Development Director can answer any questions you may have about our zoning ordinance.

Q: Is a permit required for new construction?

A: A permit may be required depending on the type of construction. Please contact the city offices prior to construction, excavation or demolition. In addition to our city utilities, the gas company, cable TV, and telephone company have buried services. Prior to any excavation you should contact Iowa One Call at (800) 292-8989 to have these underground services located.

Q: May I burn garbage?

A: No, container burning is not allowed. The burning of landscape waste is allowed within certain guidelines. Please contact city offices for a complete explanation.

Q: We are a 3 car family. May we park in the street?

A: Yes, although a vehicle may not be parked on the city street for a period in excess of 18 hours. During a snow removal period no vehicle may be parked on any street.

Q: Do we have to keep our pet on a leash?

A: Yes, animals must be restrained with a leash, cord, chain or similar device. Dangerous or vicious animals, including pit bulls, are not allowed within the city limits. Animals running at large may be impounded. Costs will be assessed to the owner.

Q: Is a permit required for electrical installations?

A: Yes, the State of Iowa requires most electrical connections or reconnections to be performed by a licensed electrician and inspected by a state electrical inspector. The information you or your contractor needs can be found at www.iowaelectrical.gov or by calling 1-866-923-1082. Please allow extra time for scheduling, inspections, and releases. Electrical Service Release forms must be signed by a State Electrical Inspector.

If you have additional questions or if we may be of further assistance, please contact the City Administrative Offices at (712) 362-7771 or the Utility Office at (712) 362-3574.