

## **Chapter 9.05**

### **Granting Permission To Northern States Power Company, A Minnesota Corporation, Its Successors and Assigns, To Construct, Operate, Repair And Maintain An Electrical Distribution System And Transmission Lines, Including Necessary Poles, Pole Lines, And Fixtures And Appurtenances, For The Furnishing Of Electric Energy To The City And Its Inhabitants, And Others, And Transmitting Electric Energy Into And Through The City And To The Streets, Alleys, And Public Grounds Of Said City For Such Purposes**

**Section 1.** There be and hereby is granted to Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "Company", during the period of 20 years from the date, September 1, 1970, the right and privilege of constructing, operating, repairing, and maintaining, in, on, over, under, and across the streets, alleys, and public grounds of said City, an electric distribution system and electric- transmission lines, including all poles, pole lines, and fixtures and appurtenances, usually, conveniently, or necessarily used in connection therewith, for the purpose of transmitting and furnishing electric energy for light, heat, power, and other purposes for public and private use in and to said City and the inhabitants thereof, and others, and for the purpose of transmitting into and through said City such electric energy, provided that such electric distribution system and transmission lines shall be so located as in no way to interfere with the safety and convenience of ordinary travel along and over said streets, alleys, and public grounds, and provided that Company, in the construction, operation, repair, and maintenance of such poles, pole lines, and fixtures and appurtenances, shall be subject to such reasonable regulation as may be imposed by the City Council.

**Section 2.** The rates to be charged by Company for the electric energy sold within said City shall be reasonable and shall not exceed Company's standard schedule of rates and minimum charges effective for and in communities of like size in adjoining territory which are similarly served and situated.

**Section 3.** There is also granted to Company, during the term hereof, permission and authority to trim all trees and shrubs in the streets, alleys, and public grounds of said City interfering with the proper construction, operation, repair, and maintenance of any poles, pole lines, and fixtures or appurtenances, installed in pursuance of the authority hereby granted, provided that Company shall save said City harmless from any liability in the premises

**Section 4.** Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall be construed as giving to Company any exclusive privileges in, on, over, under, or across the streets, alleys, or public grounds of said City.

**Section 5.** Company shall have full right and authority to assign to any person, persons, firm, or corporation all the rights conferred upon it by this Ordinance, provided that the assignee of such rights, by accepting such assignment, shall become subject to the terms and provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 6.** Company shall, if it accepts this Ordinance and the rights hereby granted, file a written acceptance of the rights hereby granted with the City Clerk within 90 days from the date of the publication of this Ordinance.