

**HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT ORDER**

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**UTILITY CERTIFICATE POLICY ON LARGE PLATTED LOTS  
(BETWEEN 5 AND 10 ACRES)**

The County will require any pre-existing lot that was platted prior to Sept 1, 1999 that is less than 10 acres but more than five acres in size either be sold with or contain a restrictive covenant acceptable to County prohibiting residential use, or be sold with water and wastewater facilities. Facilities for this purpose are defined as waterlines, water meters, water wells with water fit for human consumption and sanitary sewer line connections or On-Site Sewage Facilities. Any request for electricity in a lot less than 10 acres but greater than 5 acres that has not been furnished with water and wastewater shall be denied electrical service until the seller or owner has either placed a restrictive covenant acceptable to County on the lot that restricts residential use or has paid for those services. The adoption of this policy does not change or waive any statutory requirements set out in Texas Local Government Code Chapter 232 for tracts greater than 5 acres but less than 10 acres that are being "created" and would require a subdivision plat to be prepared and approved by Hidalgo County.