



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Christina Taylor, Deputy City Manager
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DATE March 21, 2023
SUBJECT: Public Hearing and Consideration of Proposed Amendments to Beaumont Municipal Code Chapters 13.08.110 and 13.09.

Description Recommended changes to Beaumont Municipal Code Chapter 13.08.110 Maintenance of Sewer Laterals and Chapter 13.09 Fats, Oils and Grease (F.O.G.) Management in Food Service Establishments to implement the F.O.G. program and Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP).

Background and Analysis:

The State Water Resource Control Board adopted Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ, Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems in May 2006. The order requires public agencies that own or operate sanitary sewer systems to develop and implement Sewer System Management Plans (SSMPs). A SSMP is used to facilitate proper funding and management of sanitary sewer systems with the goal to reduce/eliminate spills. Within the SSMP is the specific requirement of a fats, oil and grease (FOG) control program.

On February 28, 2023, the City Council held a workshop where the SSMP and F.O.G. Programs were presented. At the workshop, staff received direction to proceed with adoption of the SSMP and necessary ordinance changes to implement the F.O.G. Program.

Included as Attachment C to this report is the redline of Chapter 13.08.110 Maintenance of Sewer Laterals. The only change to this section is as follows:

13.08.110 - Maintenance of sewer laterals.

The owner shall be responsible for maintenance **and/or repair** of the service lateral. **The service lateral is the owner's responsibility from the house/building/apartment etc... up to and including the connection to the City main line. If there is a failure of a service lateral not remediable by use of rodding tools, it shall be the responsibility of the owner to call this to the attention of the**

City. If the owner fails to make the necessary repairs the general manager of utilities may perform such work. The cost of same shall be a lien on the property upon which such service line was repaired. ~~As a public service, the City may, at its own expense, make the necessary repairs.~~

These changes are necessary as the property owner's responsibility for maintenance of the sewer lateral is up to the connection to the main sewer line. If repair is delayed and a pipe is leaking or there is spill, the City receives the fines, penalties and violation.

Included as Attachment D to this report is the redline of Chapter 13.09 Regulating Fats, Oils and Grease (F.O.G.) Management in Food Service Establishments. There are numerous proposed changes to the ordinance which were presented at the SSMP and F.O.G. Ordinance workshop on February 28, 2023.

The changes proposed to Chapter 13.09 are predominately linked to the establishment of Grease Interceptor Installation Requirements in Chapter 13.09.130 and the associated definitions in Chapter 13.09.050. Each of the recommended changes work in conjunction with the F.O.G. program and assessment checklist.

Fiscal Impact:

The cost to prepare this staff report and code updates is approximately \$1,000.

Recommended Action:

Waive the first full readings and approve by titles only, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Beaumont Amending Chapter 13.08.110 Concerning Maintenance of Sewer Laterals of the City of Beaumont Municipal Code." and "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Beaumont, California Amending Chapter 13.09 Concerning Regulating Fats, Oils and Grease (F.O.G.) of the City of Beaumont Municipal Code."

Attachments:

- A. Chapter 13.08.110 Ordinance
- B. Chapter 13.09 Ordinance
- C. Chapter 13.08.110 Redline
- D. Chapter 13.09 Redline
- E. Public Notice