

ARTICLE V - BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

Section 1. Permits Required

No person shall uncover, make any connections with or opening into, use, alter, or disturb any public sewer or appurtenance thereof without first obtaining a written permit from the Authority.

Section 2. Building Sewer Permit Classifications

There shall be two (2) classes of building sewer permit: (a) for residential and commercial service, and (b) for service to establishments producing industrial wastes. In either case, the owner or his authorized agent shall make an application on a special form furnished by the Authority. The permit application shall be supplemented by any plans, specifications, or other information considered pertinent in the judgment of the Authority.

A permit and inspection fee shall be paid to the Authority at the time the application is filed. A schedule of fees will be issued annually by the Authority.

Section 3. Installation and Connection Costs

All costs and expenses incident to the installation and connection of the building sewer shall be borne by the owner. The owner shall indemnify the Authority from any loss or damage that may directly or indirectly be occasioned by the installation of the building sewer.

Section 4. Separate Building Sewers Required

A separate and independent building sewer shall be provided for every building except as provided by this section as follows. Where one building stands at the rear of another on an interior lot and no private sewer is available or can be constructed to the rear building through an adjoining alley, court, yard, or driveway, the building sewer from the front building may be extended to the rear building and the whole considered as one building sewer.

Section 5. Testing Required

An old building sewer may be used in connection with new buildings only when it is found, on examination and testing by the Authority, to meet all requirements of this ordinance.

Section 6. Compliance with Codes Required

The size, slope, alignment, materials of construction of a building sewer, and the methods to be used in excavating, placing the pipe, jointing, testing, back filling the trench, shall all conform to the requirements of the building and plumbing code or

other applicable rules and regulations of the City. In the absence of code provisions or in amplification thereof, the materials and procedures set forth in appropriate specifications of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) and Water Environment Federation (WEF) Manual of Practice No. 9 shall apply.

Section 7. Elevation Requirements

Whenever possible, the building sewer shall be brought to the building at an elevation below the basement or first floor. In all buildings in which any building drain is too low to permit gravity flow to the public sewer, sanitary sewage carried by such building drain shall be lifted by an approved means and discharged to the building sewer.

Section 8. Prohibition on Drainage Runoff to Sewer Connections

No person shall make connection of roof down spouts, exterior foundation drains, area-way drains, or other sources of surface runoff or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.

Section 9. Connection Requirements

The connection of the building sewer into the public sewer shall conform to the requirements of the building and plumbing code or other applicable rules and regulations of the City, or in amplification thereof to the ASTM and the WEF Manual of Practice No. 9. All such connections shall be made gastight and watertight. Any deviation from the prescribed procedures and materials must be approved by the City or its representative.

Section 10. Notification and Inspection Requirements

The applicant for a building sewer permit shall notify the Authority when the building sewer is ready for inspection and connection to the public sewer. The connection shall be made under the supervision of the Authority or its representative.

Section 11. Safety Considerations

All excavations for building sewer installations shall be adequately guarded with barricades and lights so as to protect the public from hazard. Streets, sidewalks, parkways, and other public property disturbed in the course of the work shall be restored in a manner satisfactory to the City.