

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING 9/25/23
AGENDA ITEM NO. 2**

SUBJECT: Approval of a resolution to adopt an updated sewer use and pretreatment ordinance and rate structure modification.

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Summary: As of 2019, the water reclamation facility received numeric discharge limits on the permit which will require us to remove phosphorous by 2030. We made modifications to the treatment plant to meet the new requirements but have since realized that we will be unable to meet them with the large industrial impact our plant receives. To better regulate industries, we have hired a full-time pretreatment tech, purchased monitoring equipment and lastly, need to update the ordinance which provides the City the appropriate authority to do so. The current ordinance was adopted in the 1990's and does not reflect the needs of the water reclamation department. In addition, the proposed ordinance will allow the City to better monitor and regulate restaurants (when needed) from contributing oil and grease to the sewer system. The pretreatment program included in this ordinance will meet the USEPA standards if Rochelle is ever mandated to do so. Lastly, the program expenses will be covered by the industries through a permit fee structure which is based on the discharge volume and testing requirements. Included in this recommendation is to also adopt a resolution updating the current rate structure which will implement a permit application fee for associated industries.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
O&M budget		N/A

Recommendation: Approve a resolution to adopt the updated sewer use and pretreatment ordinance and the resolution adopting the updated rate structure.

Supporting Documents:

- Document Link 1
- Document Link 2
- Document Link 3