

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

City Council City of Rollingwood

Meeting Date: July 16, 2025

Submitted By:

Staff

Agenda Item:

Discussion and possible action on the responsibility for the maintenance and operation of wastewater collection systems

Description:

Owners of property in Rollingwood typically have access to the City's wastewater collection system, and are permitted to connect their privately-owned wastewater system to the City's system, subject to restrictions and regulations as contained in the City's Code of Ordinances (the "Code").

Currently, the Code only specifically addresses residential connections to the system, and allows the City the option to repair and replace subsequent grinder pumps to serve any given residential property in accordance with policies and budgets adopted from time to time by the City Council, provided that the property owner or other person with appropriate authority grants to the City's agents permission to enter the property for such purpose.

The ordinance, as proposed, would change the Code to make clear that the City shall only be responsible for the operation and maintenance of its own portion of the wastewater collection system (i.e. the portion that is owned and operated by the City and that is on publicly-owned land, beginning with the "double-check valve"), and that each property owner shall be responsible for the maintenance and operation of wastewater collection systems, including any grinder pumps, that are on each respective property owner's land (i.e. up to, but not including, the "double-check valve"). It would also specifically address commercial connections to the City's wastewater collection system, with the same regulations and requirements that are proposed to be placed on residential connections.

Action Requested:

Consideration and possible adoption of the proposed Ordinance 2025-07-16-16, as presented.

Fiscal Impacts:

Passage of the ordinance would significantly reduce future wastewater system expenses for the City by making it clear that private wastewater systems, including grinder pumps, must be maintained by their respective owners.

Attachments:

- Draft ordinance