

Public Works  
**STAFF REPORT**



**SUBJECT:** Texas Commission on Environmental Quality – Technically Based Local Limits  
**MEETING:** Regular Business Meeting - 06 Sep 2022  
**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works  
**STAFF CONTACT:** Nick Williams

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the modifications to the Technically Based Local Limits (TBLL) as mandated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

**BACKGROUND:**

Technically Based Local Limits (TBLL) are the wastewater limitations applied to commercial and industrial facilities that discharge to a publicly owned treatment works (POTW). Local limits are developed to meet pretreatment program objectives, protect the public infrastructure and meet the site-specific needs of the local POTW and the receiving stream.

The proposed resolution complies with Section 50.21 of Chapter 50 – Sewer and Water Service Code of Ordinances for compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations and provides a table of state-approved pollutant limits to protect against pass-through and interference.

The substantial modification package was originally submitted by the city to the TCEQ on October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015. On June 3, 2022, the TCEQ determined the substantial program modification submission was technically complete and approved for adoption by the city council. This item was originally placed on the August 2, 2022 council agenda, but was pulled after the newspaper did not publish notices as required by the state. The notices were published on August 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 2022. TCEQ granted the city a 45-day extension to September 16, 2022 to submit the approved limits to the state.

Only one industry within the city, TechnipFMC, is included in the industrial pre-treatment program and was provided the modifications packet on July 18, 2022 for review and comment. No comments have been received to date.

**FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:**

None.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attached is a copy of the approval email received from the state's Pretreatment Team authorizing approval of the pollutant limits. An appropriate resolution is also attached to adopt the updated Technically Based Local Limits mandated and approved by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

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[Resolution No. 2022-R-XX](#)