

**ORDINANCE NO. 1161**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND, WASHINGTON RELATING TO SEWAGE PRE-TREATMENT FACILITIES AND AMENDING TITLE 13 CHAPTER 12 OF THE WOODLAND MUNICIPAL CODE TO REVISE SECTION 13.12.260 PUBLIC SEWER-INTERCEPTORS CONSTRUCTED AND REPEALING SECTION 13.12.265 PROVISIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 13.12.260 AND SECTION 13.12.70 PUBLIC SEWER-INTERCEPTOR MAINTENANCE AS MORE PARTICULARLY SET FORTH HEREIN AND AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION BY SUMMARY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the recommendation of City Staff to modify current regulations regarding the use and regulation of sewage pretreatment facilities for the protection and safety, and in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Woodland.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Woodland does ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 13.12.260 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following new Chapter 13.12.260.

**WMC 13.12.260 - PRETREATMENT FACILITIES.**

- A. Review and Acceptance of Pretreatment Facilities. Users shall provide wastewater treatment as required to comply with this chapter and shall achieve compliance with all applicable pretreatment standards and requirements set out in this chapter within the time limitations specified by the EPA, the state or the director, whichever is shorter. All pretreatment facilities shall be provided, operated, and maintained at the user's expense. Detailed plans showing proposed pretreatment facilities and operating procedures shall be submitted to the city for review and approval before construction of the facility. All pretreatment facilities shall be located in an accessible location for the ease of inspection and maintenance. The review of such plans and operating procedures shall not relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying pretreatment facilities as necessary to produce an acceptable discharge under the provisions of this chapter. The user shall obtain all necessary construction and operating permits from the city.
- B. Standard of Pretreatment. Users shall provide all known, available and reasonable methods of treatment, prevention and control, including best management practices, as required to comply with this chapter and state and federal regulations.
- C. Requirement for Proper Operation. All pretreatment facilities shall be operated and maintained at the user's expense. Prior to operation of the pretreatment facility, the user shall submit a copy of the proposed operations and maintenance procedures to the city for review and approval. Such pretreatment facilities shall be at all times under the control and direction of a person qualified to operate such facilities. Food service users shall submit required plans and/or operation maintenance procedures to the city sewer maintenance department. All other users shall submit such procedures

to the director. The use of hot water, enzymes, bacteria, chemicals or other agents or devices for the purpose of causing the contents of a pretreatment device to be discharged into the sanitary sewer system is prohibited.

- D. **New Construction.** Any subsequent proposal for significant changes in the user's operation or maintenance of existing pretreatment facilities shall be submitted to the city for review and approval prior to the user's initiation of such changes. Prior to any new construction or other modification of existing pretreatment facilities, the user shall submit detailed plans showing such proposed new construction or modifications. The user shall obtain any necessary construction permits before new construction or modification of an existing facility. If applicable, the user shall obtain a wastewater discharge permit or other control document. The review of such plans by the city shall not relieve the user from the responsibility of modifying its facility as necessary to comply with the provisions of this chapter.
- E. **Submission of Plans and Reports.** Engineering reports for pretreatment facilities shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 173-240 and Section 173-216-050(3) of the WAC, RCW 90.48.010 as amended, and shall be submitted in accordance with the director's pretreatment program procedures.
- F. **Grease and Oil Separators.**
  - 1. **Food Service Users.** Users, who operate restaurants, cafes, lunch counters, cafeterias, bars or clubs, or hotel, hospital, sanitariums, factory or school kitchens, butcher shops, or other establishments where food (polar) grease may be introduced to the sewer system, shall have pretreatment facilities to prevent the discharge of fat waste, oil and grease. Such pretreatment facilities shall be either a grease interceptor or grease trap as determined by the jurisdiction located outside the building, and installed in the wastewater line leading from sinks, drains or other fixtures where grease may be discharged. Grease interceptors shall be required on all new construction projects that have a Type 1 hood exhaust system. New grease interceptors or grease traps shall be in accordance with the Uniform Plumbing Code, and any other requirements by the city as set forth herein. Grease interceptors that include dishwasher effluent shall be sized to allow sufficient detention time to allow for cooling of the effluent. No more than four fixtures shall connect to an individual grease interceptor, and no sanitary facilities will be allowed to connect upstream of any grease interceptor. Subject to the director's approval, dishwater effluent may be excluded from pretreatment. Grease traps inside the kitchen area will only be allowed under special circumstances and shall only be approved by the director on a case-by-case basis.
  - 2. **Industrial/Commercial User.** Users who operate automobile or truck repair facilities, steam cleaning facilities for motorized equipment, air compressor(s), or any other establishments or equipment where petroleum based (non-polar) grease and oil may be introduced to the sewer system, shall have pretreatment facilities to prevent the discharge of oil and grease. These pretreatment facilities shall be oil/water separators or interceptors located to collect such mixture of grease, oil and water. Such facilities shall be in accordance with city and state standards.

3. Retrofit of User Facilities. Users may be required to retrofit facilities which were constructed prior to the adoption of the ordinance codified in this chapter. The requirement to retrofit shall be on a case-by-case basis, as determined by the director for compliance with city, state and federal regulations. The director may require installation of grease interceptors, grease traps or other pretreatment facilities for those facilities that violate discharge prohibitions and supplemental limitations as set forth in this chapter. In all cases, existing food service users that have a Type 1 hood exhaust system shall be required to retrofit with an approved grease trap or interceptor that is sized in accordance with the current Uniform Plumbing Code and its appendices. In deciding whether to require a user to retrofit their facilities, the director shall take into account all relevant circumstances, including but not limited to, the extent of potential harm caused by the discharge, the magnitude and duration of the discharge, economic detriment to the user, corrective actions by the user, the compliance history of the user, and any other relevant factors. Grease interceptor or grease trap size shall be determined in accordance with the Uniform Plumbing Code and any other requirements by the city as set forth herein at the time the user is notified that facility modifications are required. Sizing of grease traps or interceptors will be reviewed and may be modified at the request of the local sewer jurisdiction. All costs incurred in retrofitting a user's facility shall be the sole responsibility of the user.
4. Construction of Grease Traps and/or Grease Interceptors. Trap/interceptors shall be constructed of impervious materials capable of withstanding abrupt and extreme changes in temperature. They shall be of substantial construction, watertight and equipped with easily removable covers which when bolted in place shall be gastight, and vented.
5. Maintenance of Grease Traps and/or Grease Interceptors. Users shall maintain, at their sole expense, grease interceptors and/or grease traps and/or other pretreatment equipment in a manner that shall prevent fat waste, oil or grease from being carried into the sewer system at all times. Authorized city employees shall be allowed access to grease traps and interceptors for the purpose of inspection and/or to verify compliance with this chapter. Fat waste, oil or grease removed from such a facility shall not be disposed of in the sanitary or storm sewer. A record of disposal shall be maintained for review by the Southwest Washington Health District and the local sewer jurisdiction.

G. Provisions for the Implementation of Pretreatment Facilities.

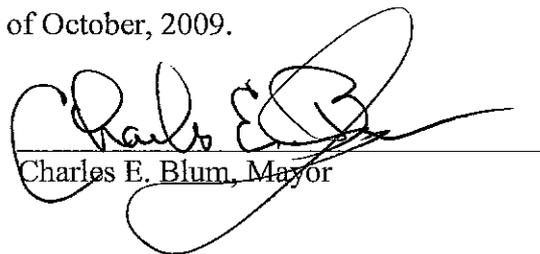
1. If upon inspection the pretreatment facility in place is deemed inadequate by the public works director or if no pretreatment facility is in place and is deemed necessary by the public works director, a new pretreatment facility complying with the terms of the current Plumbing Code is required and shall be installed within thirty days of notice by the city of such deficiency. Failure to comply with these provisions shall result in the discontinuance of sewer service to the premises by the city shutting off the city water service.

2. Owners/Users of such trap/interceptors shall perform regular maintenance upon such interceptors with such frequency as to insure their continued proper working condition. If upon inspection, the city determines that the ongoing maintenance by the owner/user is inadequate to insure proper operation of the interceptor, an order shall be issued declaring such deficiency and providing the owner/user fourteen calendar days to properly service the interceptor. If upon further inspection such maintenance has not been performed, a surcharge of one hundred dollars per day shall be imposed and added to the premises' sewer bill until such maintenance shall have been performed. Such surcharge shall continue until the owner/user calls for an inspection to determine compliance and compliance has been certified and an inspection fee of one hundred dollars shall also be assessed.
3. Any owner/user whose interceptor is declared to be improperly maintained a second time within twenty-four months of a prior determination shall be assessed the sewer surcharge of one hundred dollars per day from the date of the inspection.

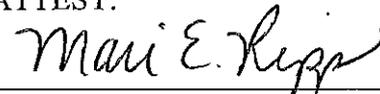
**Section 2.** Repealer. That Section 13.12.265 Provisions for Implementation of Section 13.12.260 and Section 13.12.70 Public Sewer-Interceptor Maintenance are all repealed in their entirety.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

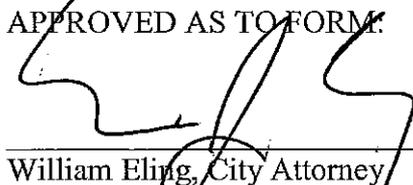
**ADOPTED** in an open meeting this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009.

  
Charles E. Blum, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Mari E. Ripp, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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William Eling, City Attorney

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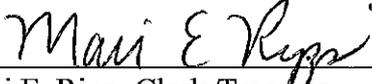
**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 1161**  
**OF THE CITY OF WOODLAND, WASHINGTON**

On October 5, 2009 the City Council of the City of Woodland, Washington, approved Ordinance No. 1161 the main point which may be summarized by its title as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

APPROVED by the City Council at their meeting on October 5, 2009.

  
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Mari E. Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer

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