



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 14, 2014

Council Session

Item F-1

#9506 - Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code Relative to Sewers and Sewage Disposal

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Marvin Strong PE, Wastewater Plant Engineer

Meeting: October 14, 2014

Subject: Consideration of Amendments to Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code Relative to Sewers and Sewage Disposal

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Presenter(s): John Collins PE, Public Works Director

Background

A few proposed revisions to Chapter 30 of the City Code have been drafted for City Council consideration. The applicable section of the existing city code with markups is shown in this memo. The sections to the code that are being added are underlined and the sections that are being eliminated have a line drawn through the text. A clean version of the proposed city code is attached as an ordinance.

Discussion

A recent installation of a commercial food grinder has brought the fact that existing city code doesn't allow for this. Revisions will allow for installation of commercial food grinders, upon City approval.

The changes and additions that are being proposed to Chapter 30 are as follows:

30-49. Wastes from Garbage Grinders

Food Waste Grinders installed in dwellings shall be regulated by the Plumbing Code. ~~No person shall install and operate any garbage grinder equipped with a motor of three-fourths horsepower (0.76 hp metric) or greater in size.~~

No business establishment shall install any garbage grinder or replace an existing garbage grinder after the effective date of this ordinance, without approval of the City Engineer in conformance with the Uniform Plumbing Code as adopted by the City.

All garbage grinders shall shred the waste to a degree that all particles will be carried freely under normal flow conditions prevailing in the public sewer. Garbage grinders shall not be used for grinding plastic, paper products, inert materials, or garden refuse.

All waste is subject to Section 30-48 regarding Deleterious Discharges and the latest edition of the fee schedule for extra strength waste.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the changes to Chapter 30 of the City Code

Sample Motion

Move to approve the ordinance revising a code section in Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 9506

An ordinance to amend Chapter 30 of the Grand Island City Code; to amend Section 30-49 pertaining to Wastes from Garbage Grinders as now existing, and any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to provide for publication and the effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. Section 30-49 of the Grand Island City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

§30-49. Wastes from Garbage Grinders

Food Waste Grinders installed in dwellings shall be regulated by the Plumbing Code.

No business establishment shall install any garbage grinder or replace an existing garbage grinder after the effective date of this ordinance, without approval of the City Engineer in conformance with the Uniform Plumbing Code as adopted by the City.

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SECTION 2. Section 30-49 is now existing, and any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and hereby are, repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and publication, within fifteen days in one issue of the Grand Island Independent as provided by law.

Enacted: October 14, 2014.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

Nicki Stoltenberg, Assistant to the City Administrator

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| Approved as to Form | ☐ _____ |
| October 10, 2014 | ☐ City Attorney |