

Chapter 11

SEWERS*

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ARTICLE 11-1. IN GENERAL

Sec. 11-1-1. Definitions.

- (a) *BOD* denoting biochemical oxygen demand, means the quantity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five (5) days at twenty (20) degrees centigrade expressed in parts per million (ppm) in weight.
- (b) *Branch sewer* means a sewer which receives sewage from lateral sewers from a relatively small area.
- (c) *Building sewer or house sewer* mean the extension from the building drain to the building connection or other place of disposal.
- (d) *Combined sewer* means a sewer receiving both surface run-off and sewage.
- (e) *Consumer* means property owner or renter, lessee or tenant for sewer customers.
- (f) *Developer* means a person, firm, partnership, joint venture, trust, syndicate, association, corporation, limited liability company or other legal entity who desires to improve or otherwise engage in any development of property within the City of Show Low, including the owner of the property.

* **Cross references**—Building, Ch. 7; health and sanitation, Ch. 9; subdivisions, Ch. 12; water, Ch. 14; planning and zoning, Ch. 15; flood damage prevention, Ch. 19.

- (g) *Garbage* means solid wastes from the preparation, cooking and dispensing of food and from the handling, storage and sale of produce.
- (h) *Industrial wastes* means the liquid wastes from industrial processes as distinct from sanitary sewage.
- (i) *Lateral sewer* means a sewer which discharges into a branch or other sewer and has no other common sewer tributary to it. A lateral sewer can only serve a single parcel. Any sewer serving more than one parcel must be a public sewer.
- (j) *Main sewer* means a sewer which receives sewage from one or more branch sewers as tributaries.
- (k) *Natural outlet* means any outlet into a watercourse, ditch, or other body of surface or ground water.
- (l) *pH* means the logarithm of the reciprocal of the weight of hydrogen ions in grams per liter of solution.
- (m) *Properly shredded garbage* means garbage that has been shredded to such a degree that all particles will be carried freely under the flow conditions normally prevailing in public sewers with no particle greater than one-fourth (1/4) inch in any dimension.
- (n) *Public sewer* means a sewer controlled by public authority.
- (o) *Public sewer availability* means a gravity sewer connection that is located within two hundred (200) feet of a parcel.
- (p) *Sanitary sewer* means a sewer which carries sewage and to which storm, surface and ground waters are not intentionally admitted.
- (q) *Sewage* means a combination of the water carried wastes from residences, business buildings, institutions and industrial establishments together with such ground, surface and storm waters as may be present.
- (r) *Sewage works* means all facilities for collecting, pumping, treating and disposing of sewage.
- (s) *Sewage treatment plant* means any arrangement of devices and structures used for treating sewage.
- (t) *Sewer connection* means the connection to the public sewer and the extension therefrom of the sewer to the property line at the alley or the curb line of the street, whichever is applicable, depending on the location of the public sewer.

- (u) *Storm sewer* or *storm drain* means a sewer which carries storm and surface waters and drainage, but excludes sewage and polluted industrial wastes.
- (v) *Suspended solids* means solids that either float on the surface of, or are in suspension in, water, sewage, or other liquids and which are removable by laboratory filtering.
- (w) *Trunk sewer* means a sewer which receives sewage from many tributary main sewers, and serves as an outlet for a large territory.
- (x) *Watercourse* shall mean a channel in which a flow of water occurs either continuously or intermittently.

(Ord. No. 470, § 1, 6-20-00, Eff. 10-1-00; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 1-2, 8-19-08; Ord. No. 2011-07, § 2, 5-17-11; Ord. No. 2019-02; § 1, 2-5-19)

ARTICLE 11-2. SEWER SERVICE

Sec. 11-2-1. Application for service.

- (a) No new, enlarged or reduced connection for any premises shall be made to city sanitary sewer mains or to its system, without written application therefor, signed by the consumer, upon application forms furnished by the city, being submitted to the city building department, and without payment of all applicable fees, including development fees.
- (b) No service shall be commenced without written application therefor, signed by the consumer, upon application forms furnished by the city, being submitted to the city finance department, and without payment of all applicable fees/deposits.

(Ord. No. 470, § 1, 6-20-00, Eff. 10-1-00; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 3, 8-19-08; Ord. No. 2011-07, § 3, 5-17-11)

Sec. 11-2-2. City responsibilities and liabilities.

- (a) The city shall not be responsible for the installation, maintenance or inspection of the consumer's service line piping or apparatus or for any defects therein, but shall have the right of inspection and control over installation specifications.
- (b) The city shall have the right to refuse service unless the consumer's lines or piping are installed in such manner as to prevent cross-connections or backflow.

- (c) Under normal conditions, the consumer shall be notified of any anticipated interruption of service.
- (d) The city shall not be responsible for the negligence of third persons or forces beyond the control of the city resulting in any interruption of services or damage to the property of the consumer.
- (e) The city may refuse service to any prospective consumer when the capacity of the sewer system will not permit additional loads being placed thereon.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 4, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-3. Consumer responsibility.

- (a) Building or house sewer connections on the consumer's premises shall be so arranged as to provide service to one lot; except as otherwise provided, no sewer system shall be placed upon any lot other than that for which the permit was issued. If additional service is required it will be considered as a separate and individual account.
- (b) The consumer's house or building service line, sewer connection and apparatus shall be installed and maintained by the consumer, at the consumer's expense, in a safe and efficient manner and in accordance with the city's rules and regulations and in full compliance with the regulations of the state department of health services. No use of property shall be such as to decrease accessibility by the city to its utility lines. Consumers, by applying for hookup, consent to city rights to egress and ingress.
- (c) The consumer shall safeguard the city's property placed on the consumer's premises and shall permit access to it only by the authorized representatives of the city.
- (d) In the event that any loss or damage to the property of the city or any accident or injury to persons or property is caused by or results from the negligence or wrongful act of the consumer, his agents or employees, the cost of necessary repairs or replacements shall be paid by the consumer to the city and any liability otherwise resulting shall be assumed by the consumer. The amount of such loss or damage or the cost of repairs may be added to the consumer's bill and if not paid, service may be discontinued by the city.
- (e) When service to a consumer shall require the laying of any city sewer lines or the installation of any other city property on, under, across or over the consumer's property, the consumer will grant to the city an easement, right-of-way, or license for such installation.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 4, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-4. Termination by city.

- (a) *Termination of service with notice.* The city may disconnect service to any consumer with notice for any reason stated below provided the city has met the notice requirements of Section 11-2-4(c) and (d) below:
- (1) Violation of any of the city's policies and procedures;
 - (2) Failure to pay any amounts owed to the city;
 - (3) Failure to meet or maintain the city's credit and deposit requirements;
 - (4) Failure to provide the city reasonable access to its equipment and property;
 - (5) Misrepresentation in any application for service, service agreement or mainline extension agreement;
 - (6) Any material breach of a service agreement or mainline extension agreement;
 - (7) When necessary for the city to comply with an order of any court or governmental agency having jurisdiction.
- (b) *Termination of service without notice.* The city may disconnect service to any consumer without advance written notice under the following conditions:
- (1) In the event that any loss or damage to the property of the city or any accident or injury to persons or property is caused by or results from the negligence or wrongful act of the consumer, his agents or employees;
 - (2) To prevent fraud or abuse;
 - (3) The consumer's willful disregard of or refusal to comply with this chapter or other rules as may be adopted by the council;
 - (4) The existence of an obvious hazard to the safety or health of the consumer or the general population.
- (c) *Termination notice requirements.*

- (1) The city shall not terminate service to any consumer without providing advance written notice to the consumer of the city's intent to terminate service, except for those conditions specified in subsection 11-2-4(b).
- (2) Such advance written notice shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
 - (i) The name of the consumer whose service is to be terminated and the address where service is being rendered;
 - (ii) The reason for termination;
 - (iii) The date on or after which service may be terminated; and
 - (iv) A statement advising the consumer that the city's stated reason for the termination of service may be disputed by contacting the city, advising the administrative services director of the dispute and making arrangements to discuss the cause of termination with the administrative services director in advance of the scheduled date of termination. The city shall retain the option to terminate service after affording this opportunity for a meeting and concluding that the reason for termination is valid.

(d) *Timing of termination with notice.*

- (1) The city shall give at least ten (10) working days advance written notice prior to the termination date.
- (2) The notice shall be considered to be given to the consumer when a copy is left with the consumer or posted first class in the United States mail, addressed to the consumer at the billing and notice address for the consumer as provided in the agreement for service between the consumer and the city.
- (3) If after the period of time allowed by the notice has elapsed and the delinquent account has not been paid nor arrangements made with the city for the payment thereof, or in the case of a violation of the city's policies and procedures the consumer has not satisfied the administrative services director that such violation has ceased, the city may then terminate service on or after the date specified in the notice without giving further notice.

(e) *Hearings.*

- (1) If requested by the consumer, the city shall schedule a hearing on any disputed matter relevant to the termination of service or fines. Once a request for hearing is made by the consumer, the city shall not terminate service until the matter is resolved, unless the city determines that the continuance of sewer service would endanger the public health or safety,

or would interfere with the lawful, safe, or effective operation of the sewer system.

- (2) Nothing herein shall relieve the consumer of paying any fees for sewer services or other fines, rates, fees or charges while the matter is pending resolution.
- (f) *Landlords/Tenants.* The city shall not be responsible for any dispute, including the termination of service hereunder, between landlords/tenants or owners/renters regarding unpaid fines, rates, fees or charges.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 6, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-5. Interference with building inspector; digging up streets.

It is unlawful for any person except an employee of the city or a City-approved contractor:

- (a) To interfere in any way with the officers of the city or building inspector in the discharge of any of their duties, either in the tapping of any sewer pipe, main or lateral belonging to the city or in the laying or connecting of such pipe, main or lateral.
- (b) To dig up or cause to be dug up any street or alley in the city for the purpose of connection with the sewer system of the city.

(Ord. No. 73, § 2, 4-6-77; Ord. No. 461, § 1, 12-21-99; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-6. Unsanitary disposal of excrement prohibited.

It is unlawful for any person to deposit, or permit to be deposited in an unsanitary manner upon public or private property within the city or in any area under the jurisdiction of the city any human or animal excrement or other objectionable waste.

Cross reference—Offensive premises, § 10-1-20.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-7. Private sewage systems.

- (a) *Compliance with article.* Except as provided in this article, it is unlawful to construct or maintain within the city any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewage.

- (b) *When permitted; sanitation.* Where a public sanitary or combined sewer is not available within the city or in any area under the jurisdiction of the city, the building sewer shall be connected to a private sewage disposal system, which complies with the regulations of the state department of health services and the recommendations of the County of Navajo. Such private sewage disposal system shall be constructed, maintained and operated at all times in a sanitary manner. Permission to construct and approval of plans must be obtained through the public works director prior to installation.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08; Ord. No. 2019-02; § 1, 2-5-19)

Sec. 11-2-8. Connection to city sewer required.

At such time as a public sewer becomes available to a property served by a private sewage disposal system, a direct connection shall be made to the public sewer in accordance with the provisions of this article within one year. Any septic tanks, cesspools, and similar private sewage disposal facilities shall be abandoned and filled with suitable material. The city shall notify all owners by sending notice either by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the record property owner or by hand-delivering the notice to the last known address of the record property owner.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08, Ord. No. 2010-09, § 1, 5-18-10)

Sec. 11-2-9. Tampering with equipment prohibited.

No person shall maliciously, willfully or negligently break, damage, destroy, uncover, deface or tamper with any structure, appurtenance, or equipment which is a part of the municipal sewage works.

Cross reference—Damage to property, § 10-1-6.

(Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-10. Work to be performed by city employees or city-approved contractor.

No one, other than an authorized employee of the city or a city-approved contractor, shall perform or cause to be performed any work in relation to the city's sewer utility and within the public right-of-way or utility easement.

(Ord. No. 73, § 3, 4-6-77; Ord. No. 417, 7/15/97; Ord. No. 461, § 3, 12-21-99; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-11. Violations.

It is unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or fail to comply with all requirements set forth herein.

(Ord. No. 73, § 5, 4-6-77; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-12. Records to be kept by city.

The city shall keep a record of all building connections made, the purpose for which they are to be used, together with the name of the owner of the property, his agent or representative.

(Ord. No. 73, § 6, 4-6-77; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-2-13. Inspections.

Whenever in the judgment of the council it is deemed necessary, it may provide for the inspection of the premises or buildings of any sewer consumer for the purpose of examining the condition of all pipes and fixtures, or the manner in which such facilities are used, and shall set applicable fees for such inspection by resolution.

(Ord. No. 461, § 4, 12-21-99; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 5, 8-19-08)

ARTICLE 11-3. USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS

Sec. 11-3-1. Prohibited substances.

- (a) No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any storm water, surface water, ground water, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, cooling water or unpolluted industrial process waters to any sanitary sewer.
- (b) Except as provided in this section, no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any of the following described waters or wastes into any public sewer:
 - (1) Any liquid or vapor having a temperature higher than one hundred fifty (150) degrees Fahrenheit.

- (2) Any water or waste which may contain more than fifty (50) parts per million by weight of fat, oil or grease.
- (3) Any gasoline, benzene, naphtha, fuel oil or other flammable or explosive liquid, solid or gas.
- (4) Any garbage that has not been properly shredded.
- (5) Any ashes, cinders, sand, mud, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, paunch manure, grits such as brick, cement, onyx, carbide or any other solid or viscous substance capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers or other interference with the proper operation of the sewer works.
- (6) Any waters or wastes having a pH lower than five and one-half (5.5) or higher than nine (9) or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment and personnel of the sewage works.
- (7) Any waters or wastes containing a toxic or poisonous substance in sufficient quantity to injure or interfere with any sewage treatment process, constitute a hazard to humans, or animals, or create any hazard in the receiving waters of the sewage treatment plant.
- (8) Any waters or wastes containing suspended solids of such character and quantity that unusual attention or expense is required to handle such materials at the sewage treatment plant.
- (9) Any noxious or malodorous gas or substance capable of creating a public nuisance.

Sec. 11-3-2. Interceptors required.

- (a) Grease, oil, and sand interceptors shall be provided when, in the opinion of the sewer department, they are necessary for the proper handling of liquid wastes containing grease in excessive amounts or any flammable wastes, sand, and other harmful ingredients except that such interceptors shall not be required for private living quarters or dwelling units.
- (b) Grease and oil interceptors shall be constructed of impervious material 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 watertight.

- (c) Where installed, all grease, oil, and sand interceptors shall be maintained by the owner, at his expense, in continuously efficient operation at all times.

Sec. 11-3-3. Authority of city.

The admission into the public sewers of any waters or wastes having any of the following characteristics shall be subject to the review and approval of the city:

- (a) A five-day biochemical oxygen demand greater than three hundred (300) parts per million by weight.
- (b) Containing more than three hundred fifty (350) parts per million by weight of suspended solids.
- (c) Draining of any in-ground pool requires advance notification to the Show Low public works department.

(Ord. No. 2019-02; § 1, 2-5-19)

Sec. 11-3-4. Preliminary treatment.

- (a) *Required.* Where necessary in the opinion of the city, the owner shall provide, at his expense, such preliminary treatment as may be necessary to:
 - (1) Reduce the BOD to three hundred (300) parts per million and the suspended solids to three hundred fifty (350) parts per million by weight.
 - (2) Control the quantities and rates of discharge of such waters or wastes.
- (b) *Approval.* Plans and specifications and any other pertinent information relating to proposed preliminary treatment facilities shall be submitted for approval of the city and the engineering division of the Arizona State Board of Health. No construction of such facilities shall be commenced until such approvals are obtained in writing.
- (c) *Maintenance of facilities.* Where preliminary treatment facilities are provided for any waters or wastes, they shall be maintained continuously in satisfactory and effective operation by the owner at his expense.

Sec. 11-3-5. Manholes.

When required by the city, the owner of any property served by a building sewer carrying industrial wastes shall install a suitable control manhole in the building sewer to

facilitate observation and sampling of wastes. Such manhole, when required, shall be accessible and safely located and shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the sewer department. The manhole shall be installed by the owner at his expense and shall be maintained by him so as to be safe and accessible at all times.

Sec. 11-3-6. Tests and analyses.

All tests and analyses of the characteristics of waters and wastes shall be determined in accordance with "Standard Methods for Examination of Water and Sewage," and shall be determined at the control manhole provided for in the preceding section or upon suitable samples taken at such control manhole.

Sec. 11-3-7. Special agreements with industrial concerns.

No statement contained in this article shall be construed as preventing any special agreement or arrangement between the city and any industrial concern whereby an industrial waste of unusual strength or character may be accepted by the city for treatment, subject to payment therefor by the industrial concern.

ARTICLE 11-4. SEWER EXTENSION♣

Sec. 11-4-1. Costs of extension.

- (a) A developer causing an extension of sewer mains shall pay in full for the rights-of-way, the construction, and installation of the lines, pipes and mains, and all other features for the extension.
- (b) When a property is determined to have public sewer availability, the property owner is required to extend the public sewer along the parcel frontage for a distance of thirty (30) feet. The property owner shall also convey any required easements to the City including those necessary for future main line extensions. The extension will be triggered by a required connection to the sewer. It may be determined that the sewer extension is limited by existing conditions such as grade or alignment. In such cases, the public works director shall determine the extent of the line extension.

Ord. No. 2019-02; § 1, 2-5-19)

♣ **Cross reference**—Construction specifications for sanitary sewers in subdivisions, § 12-1-96.

Sec. 11-4-2. Plans, specifications and construction.

A developer who wishes to extend sewer facilities shall employ a civil engineer registered in Arizona to perform the field engineering and prepare detailed plans and specifications for the main sewer extension. The final detailed plans and specifications for the main sewer extension shall be approved by the city before construction begins. The design and engineering shall be in accordance with the specifications of the city prior to construction. The construction shall meet city specifications, requirements and approval, and shall be subject to inspection by the city during construction. Subject to the provisions of this article, the city agrees to permit the developer to connect into the existing trunk sewer lines of the city and the main sewer line to be constructed by the developer as herein provided.

Sec. 11-4-3. Area to be served.

The maximum area to be serviced by the proposed main sewer line and its ultimate branches and laterals shall be determined by the city based on local drainage conditions. If the area to be serviced by the developer is less than the maximum area to be serviced by the proposed main sewer line and its ultimate laterals, such main sewer line shall be designed, engineered and constructed to serve such maximum area. Should other parties in the service area desire to join with the developer in constructing the proposed main sewer line, the agreement between the developer and the city shall be considered as including those additional parties.

Sec. 11-4-4. Charges.

Nothing herein shall affect the right of the city to assess any other tax, charges, inspection fees, and sewage rental charges against the owners of property within the developer's area. Sewer tap fees shall be paid to the city at the prevailing rate and are not refundable.

(Ord. No. 461, § 5, 12-21-99; Ord. No. 470, § 1, 6-20-00, Eff. 10-1-00)

Sec. 11-4-5. Ownership.

The city shall have exclusive control of connections to the proposed main sewer line and upon its completion the aforesaid main sewer line shall become and be the property of the city. Except as otherwise herein provided, all provisions of the City Code and ordinances or amendments thereto applicable to sewer services including all charges therefor, shall apply to services in the proposed area.

ARTICLE 11-5. FEES

Sec. 11-5-1. Reserved.

(Ord. No. 222, § 1, 2-5-85; Ord. No. 279, § 1, 2-16-88; Ord. No. 470, § 1, 6-20-00, Eff. 10-1-00)

Editor's note—Ord. No. 222, §§ 1, 2, adopted February 5, 1985, provided for the addition of § 11-2-4 and § 11-2-6, which sections have been redesignated § 11-5-1 and § 11-5-3 for purposes of classification and reference, by the editors at their discretion.

Sec. 11-5-2. Monthly sanitary sewer rates; deposits, service fees and late fees.

Every person whose premises are served by a connect with the sewage system of the city, whereby the sewage or industrial waste or either or both, are disposed of by the city through the sewage treatment plant or otherwise, shall pay a monthly sewer fee determined by the sewer user charge policy established by resolution, from time to time, by the city council. Deposit and service fees including seasonal suspension and reactivation, as fixed by council resolution shall also apply and are non-refundable.

If charges for sewer furnished to users are not paid within ten (10) days after the charges become payable, service shall be discontinued in accordance with Section 11-2-4. A late penalty and non-pay physical disconnection fee as fixed by council resolution shall also apply, and the consumer shall be responsible for any bills for repairs on meters or pipes made necessary by carelessness or willful damage on the part of the consumer, and shall be collected before sewer service is again furnished.

The city shall notify each user, at least annually, in conjunction with a regular bill, of the rate and that portion of the user charges which are attributable to wastewater treatment services.

All users shall have the right to request that their rate and estimated contributions be reviewed. The installation of an acceptable sewer meter or a separate irrigation water meter which cannot contribute to the sanitary sewer system may be installed at the owner's expense.

(Ord. No. 212, § 1, 11-28-84; Ord. No. 277, 2-2-88; Ord. No. 2008-09, § 7, 8-19-08)

Sec. 11-5-3. Reserved

(Ord. No. 222, § 1, 2-5-85; Ord. No. 470, § 1, 6-20-00, Eff. 10-1-00)

Note—See the editor's footnote following § 11-5-1.

ARTICLE 11-6. SPECIAL SANITARY SEWER LINES

Sec. 11-6-1. Generally.

No sanitary sewer line extension shall be made by the city except on an approved dedicated street, alley or recorded easement. No sanitary sewer line shall be installed with less than a minimum pipe size of eight (8) inches in diameter or such larger diameter as may be determined by the city engineer based on criteria approved by the council. Prior to construction of any line by other than the city, the applicant for a sanitary sewer line extension shall enter into a written agreement for each such extension which agreement shall be approved by the city engineer.

(Ord. No. 204, § 1, 7-25-84)

Sec. 11-6-2. Extension rights reserved; cost of line extensions.

- (a) The city reserves the right to install or oversize any sanitary sewer line extension.
- (b) A developer causing an extension of sanitary sewer lines shall pay in full for the rights-of-way, construction and installation of the lines, pipes, mains, and all other expenses necessary for the extension; and upon acceptance of the improvements by the city, the developer shall relinquish his entire interest in the improvements, the rights-of-way and all claims to any future reimbursement by reason of the city's providing future service to others from the line, provided that, if the city chooses to intervene under section 11-6-3, the city may agree to give a developer credits against special sanitary sewer line fees where a developer extends lines a substantial distance outside his development.

(Ord. No. 204, § 2, 7-25-84)

Sec. 11-6-3. Definitions.

- (a) *Oversize* means that the city requires the installation of a line of a diameter in excess of that required under section 11-6-1 and pays the additional cost for the larger diameter pipe.
- (b) *Special sanitary sewer line* shall mean any city-owned sanitary sewer line, where the cost of installation or oversizing of a line was paid with city funds and which has been designated as a special sanitary sewer line by resolution of the city council. "Special sanitary sewer line" shall not include any line where the costs were assessed to or borne by the abutting properties.

(Ord. No. 204, § 3, 7-25-84)

Sec. 11-6-4. Connections, permit required.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to connect to any sewer line or to connect to any special sanitary sewer line without a permit therefor having been first obtained from the city building official or city engineer.

(Ord. No. 204, § 4, 7-25-84)

Sec. 11-6-5. Application.

- (a) *Application for permit.* Before a permit may be issued for connection to a sanitary sewer line or special sanitary sewer line a written application therefor must be made to the city building official or city engineer.
- (b) *Granting of permit.* Upon such written application being made, the city building official or city engineer may issue a permit to make such sanitary sewer line connection upon:
 - (1) The payment of fees provided for in this article;
 - (2) The payment of any other applicable city fees; and
 - (3) A written agreement, in applicable cases, pursuant to section 11-6-1.
- (c) *Special sanitary sewer line fee.* If the application is for connection to a special sanitary sewer line, the applicant shall pay the applicable special sanitary sewer line fee.

(Ord. No. 204, § 5, 7-25-84)

Sec. 11-6-6. Determination of special sanitary sewer line fees.

The special sanitary sewer line fee for each special sanitary sewer line shall be determined and established by resolution of the city council based on the council's determination as to the most equitable means of sharing cost for said line among those to receive benefit from it. In determining such equitable means, the council may utilize one of the following criteria:

- (a) Per front foot of property fronting the line.

- (b) Per square foot of property fronting on the line potentially being served by the line.
- (c) Per connection to the line.
- (d) Quantity of sewage deposited into the line.
- (e) Benefit to the property to be served by the line.
- (f) A combination of any two (2) or more of the foregoing criteria.

(Ord. No. 204, § 6, 7-25-84)

ARTICLE 11-7. SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR A WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Sec. 11-7-1. Wastewater treatment plant setbacks.

The distance between wastewater treatment components and the nearest property line of an adjacent property shall be no less than 1,000 feet to the north, 600 feet to the east, 1,000 feet to the south, and 1,000 feet to the west in order for the City of Show Low to qualify for an Aquifer Protection Permit.

The setback distance for wastewater treatment plants shall be measured from the components within the wastewater treatment facility that have the potential for producing odor and/or noise. Noise and/or odor-producing components include the influent lift station, headworks, uncovered pumps and blowers, biological treatment reactors, and sludge storage/dewatering facilities. Odor-producing components do not include components such as secondary clarifiers, chlorine contact basin, filtration units, or other tertiary units.

(Ord. No. 2014-07, § 1, 11-4-14)