

SIDE SEWER OWNERSHIP



City Council
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Typical Side Sewer



Issues

- ❑ Repairs of side sewers in the right-of-way can be:
 - Difficult to locate
 - Deep
 - Below pavement
 - Near other utilities
 - Challenging
- ❑ This frequently results in extended disputes between the City and property owners regarding responsibility.

Proposed Change

- ❑ Change the regulations so the City owns and maintains side sewers in the right-of-way with the following conditions:
 - Only when a cleanout exists or is installed at the right-of-way line.
 - Property owners will be responsible for removal of blockages.

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Requested Action

- ❑ Approve attached ordinance changing side sewer ownership.
- ❑ Public benefits:
 - City assets are protected (pavement, sewer mains and other utilities)
 - Public and environmental health are protected (reduced risk of sewer spills)
 - Public safety is improved (safe excavations and expedient repair of sink holes).

Questions? Comments?

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