

ARTICLE III. SEWERS

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 48-86. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: *Industrial waste or wastes* means and includes any and all wastes, whether liquid or solid, in solution or in suspension, arising or produced by factories, industries, plants, garages and other business or manufacturing institutions which are injurious or detrimental to the sewers, sewerage system or treatment works of the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District or the city or any of the appurtenances thereof or injurious or detrimental to the bacterial or chemical action of any of the sewage treatment works; and such industrial wastes shall also include and are and shall be further construed and defined to be:

- (1) Waste containing or carrying settleable solids of any character, and any and all floating material of whatever character.
- (2) Waste containing or carrying either soluble or insoluble solids of organic nature, or containing or carrying either suspended or soluble matter which:
 - a. Is putrescible or capable of putrefaction; or
 - b. Adversely affects bacterial action.
- (3) Waste containing or carrying chemicals, acids, alkalies, corrosive, metallic or other compounds, whether soluble or insoluble, organic or inorganic, which:
 - a. Are putrescible or capable of putrefaction;
 - b. Adversely affect bacterial action; or
 - c. Injure or tend to injure by deposition or by corrosion the outlets, sewers, sewerage system or works, or any other structures or instrumentalities of the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District or the city.
- (4) Waste carrying, containing or composed wholly or in part of volatile or inflammable materials, fats, oils, grease, tar, kerosene, gasoline or other similar materials or other floating material.
- (5) Waste containing or carrying any chemicals, acids, alkalies, corrosive, metallic or other compounds, sediment or suspended matter, or mineral matter in solution, or any other material, substance, liquid or thing which is detrimental to or interferes or tends to interfere with the operation of the outlets, sewers, sewerage system or works, or any structures, instrumentalities or processes of the sewerage system by causing or resulting in deposits therein by settlement, precipitation or otherwise or in any other manner injuring, damaging or interfering with any of the instrumentalities, works or processes of such sewage system.

Infiltration means the water entering a sewer system and service connections from the ground through such means as, but not limited to, defective pipes, pipe joints, connections or manhole walls. Infiltration does not include, and is distinguished from, inflow.

Infiltration/inflow means the total quantity of water from both infiltration and inflow without distinguishing the source.

Inflow means the water discharged into a sewer system and service connections from such sources as, but not limited to, roof leaders, cellar, yard and area drains, foundation drains, cooling water discharges, drains from springs and swampy areas, manhole lids, cross-

connections from storm sewers and combined sewers, catch basins, stormwater, surface runoff, street wash waters or drainage. Inflow does not include, and is distinguished from, infiltration. *Sanitary sewage* means and includes domestic sewage, and sewage discharged from the sanitary conveniences of dwellings and other buildings and places in which sanitary conveniences are used or installed.

Sanitary sewer means a sewer that is designed to carry liquid and water-carried wastes from residences, commercial buildings, industrial plants and institutions.

Sewage means and includes any and all such wastes as are liquid and solid matter, flowing in or from residences, human habitations, institutions, stables, garages, business and trade buildings and industries, whether such wastes are in their original form or in combination with groundwater, stormwater, surface or other water.

Sewer means any sewer constructed, maintained and/or operated by the Aurora Sanitary District or the city, including any and all manholes, intercepting chambers or other appurtenances connected therewith.

Solid wastes means and includes trash, garbage, ashes, rags, manure of domestic animals, foodstuffs and the waste thereof other than normally contained in domestic sewage, offal, dead animals or portions thereof, and any and all other solid objects, materials, refuse and debris. The term "ashes" shall include the residuum resulting from the combustion of coal, coke, wood or any other material or substance and shall include soot, cinders, slag and charcoal.

Storm sewer or *storm drain* shall mean a sewer for conveying water, groundwater or unpolluted water from any source.

Stormwater shall mean runoff water resulting directly from rainfall or other natural precipitation.

Works or *sewerage system* includes the disposal or treatment plant and pumping stations together with any and all appurtenances thereof and also any and all sewers, manholes and other devices used to carry or bring sewage to any treatment plant, belonging to either the city or the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District.

(Code 1969, § 47-58; Ord. No. 002-94, § 20, 9-10-02)

Sec. 48-87. Violation declared public nuisance.

The violation of any of the terms and provisions of this article is declared to be a public nuisance.

(Code 1969, § 47-59)

Sec. 48-88. Penalty.

Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the terms or provisions of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section 1-10.

(Code 1969, § 47-60)

Sec. 48-89. General supervision.

All sewers and drains in the streets, alleys or public places of the city shall be under the charge and control of the public works director and they shall be kept in good order and condition and clean and free from obstructions. The director shall cause to be made such repairs thereof and of the catch basins, culverts, manholes and openings connected therewith as may from time to time become necessary.

(Code 1969, § 47-62)

Sec. 48-90. Obstructing, damaging sewers, sewer facilities.

No substance, article or thing of any kind which shall obstruct, block up or clog or cause to obstruct, block up or clog any sewer, shall be placed, thrown or deposited in any receiving basin, drain or sewer. Any person so offending or causing any such obstruction or clogging or substance to be placed so as to be carried into such basin or sewer shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any person injuring, breaking or removing any portion of any receiving basin, covering flag, manhole, vent or any part of any sewer or drain shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (Code 1969, § 47-63)

DIVISION 3. HARMFUL AND PROHIBITED WASTES

Sec. 48-131. Generally.

Except as otherwise herein provided or permitted, no person shall discharge or deposit directly or indirectly into any sewer or the sewerage system or discharge or deposit or cause or permit to be discharged, deposited or to enter directly or indirectly into Fox River or any other watercourse within the boundaries of the city any solid wastes, industrial wastes or other sewage or liquids or solids, the discharge or entry of which into the sewers or sewerage system is prohibited by the terms of this article or by any other ordinance or which will pollute or defile such portion of Fox River or any such watercourse.

(Code 1969, § 47-94)

Sec. 48-132. Wastes causing nuisance, damaging sewers, etc.

No liquids or solids shall be discharged into or deposited in the sewers or sewerage system or in the Fox River or any watercourse within the boundaries of the city which will pollute the waters of Fox River within the boundaries of the city, or create any nuisance or unsanitary condition, or damage any sewer or any part of the sewerage system, or in any way interfere with, injure or damage the sewage purification processes or the instrumentalities provided for purification of sewage.

(Code 1969, § 47-95)