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### COUNCIL MEMORANDUM 96- 66

From: John T. Felton, Public Works Director/City Engineer

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Subject: Ordinance Serial # 96-31 Amending Chapter 5.20 and Adding Chapter 5.25 to the WMC.

Ordinance Serial Number 96-31 is one of the final requirements placed on the City by EPA. It is all tied into the original sewer grant. We will need this ordinance to obtain our new discharge permit for the sewage treatment plant. Chapter 5.25 sets forth uniform requirements for direct and indirect contributors into the wastewater collection and treatment system for the City and enables us to comply with all applicable State and Federal laws required by the Clean Water Act of 1977 and the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 CFR, Part 403).

The objectives of the ordinance are:

- (a) To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the municipal wastewater system which will interfere with the operation of the system or contaminate the resulting sludge;
- (b) To prevent the introduction of pollutants into the municipal wastewater system which will pass through the system, inadequately treated, into receiving waters or the atmosphere or otherwise be incompatible with the system (thus putting us in violation of our discharge permit);
- (c) To improve the opportunity to recycle and reclaim wastewaters and sludges from the system; and
- (d) To provide for equitable distribution of the cost of the municipal wastewater system.

This ordinance provides for the regulation of direct and indirect contributors to the municipal wastewater system through the issuance of permits to certain non-domestic users and through enforcement of general requirements for the other users, authorizes monitoring and enforcement activities, requires user reporting, assumes that existing customers' capacity will not be preempted, and provides for the setting of fees for the equitable distribution of costs resulting from the program established herein.

The changes to Chapter 5.20 are to delete the items that are more thoroughly covered in the new chapter. We have always had these requirements and powers; this change just does a better job of quantifying them. A survey was conducted by the Public Works Department and there are presently no "significant industrial users" connected to the system. This ordinance will not affect any customer we are presently serving.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Public Works Department recommends that the Council introduce and hold the public hearing for this ordinance at the August 12, 1996 meeting.



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