

## **ORDINANCE NO 211**

### **AN ORDINANCE REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 93-A ADOPTING REQUIREMENTS FOR REPAIR OF SANITARY SEWER LEAKS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF WALLIS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Public Water Department of the City of Wallis has prepared a survey of the sources of inflow and infiltration (leakage) into the sanitary sewer system and all sources are required to be repaired; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Water Department of the City of Wallis has undertaken to repair of all sources of inflow and infiltration located upon public property; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the City of Wallis and the area within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Wallis and to reduce the cost of treatment by the sewage treatment plant of excessive water produced by inflow and infiltration from sanitary sewers on private property in the city system, that an ordinance be promulgated by the City of Wallis requires the repair of such leaks on private property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
WALLIS

#### **SECTION I – REQUIREMENTS**

- A. The Public Works Department of the City of Wallis will notify in writing or in person each property owner, on whose property a source of inflow or infiltration of water into the City of Wallis sanitary sewer system exists, as well as the nature and location of the source. The property owner shall within five (5) working days from the date of notification have the source repaired at his expense. After the repair has been completed and before it has been covered with earth, the Public Works Department shall be notified to inspect and approve its adequacy and workmanship.
- B. Should the property owner fail to make the necessary repairs within the five (5) day period as set out above, thereafter a fine up to \$200.00 per day will be assessed to the owner of the property until repairs have been completed and inspected and approved the the Public Works Department.

- C. Should the property owner fail to make the necessary repairs or obtain approval within 14 days after notification, or if after exercising reasonable diligence, the Department is unable to locate the property owner or his agent, the Department or its agent shall have the right to go on the land or property upon which the source of inflow or infiltration exists and make such repairs and inspection as above provided, and the owner of the property shall be liable to the Department for the cost of such work and shall pay such cost upon demand, which cost may be included upon the property owner's next monthly wastewater charge or a lien placed on his property.

SECTION II – DEFINITIONS

- A. **INFLOW:** Visible surface water from an external source which accidentally or by design is introduced into the sanitary sewer system. Example: A roof drains that discharges into the sanitary sewer.
- B. **INFILTRATION:** Ground water which seeps into the sanitary sewer system through openings in the piping system due to high water tables or soil saturated from heavy rains. Example: Broken sewer laterals, poor pipe joint connections.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

  
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Mayor, Jerry Delso

  
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City Secretary

ATTEST:

