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Legislation Text

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WORKSHOP ITEM *Jon Haukaas, Director of Public Works*

FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (FOG) CONTROL CODE AMENDMENT

This proposed ordinance would set forth requirements to aid in the prevention of sanitary sewer blockages, obstructions and overflows due to the contribution and accumulation of fats, oils and grease (FOG) into the City's sanitary sewer system from commercial and industrial businesses, and food service establishments (FSE). The ordinance would regulate such businesses and FSEs by requiring grease interceptors and other devices and equipment be used and by requiring that such devices and equipment be installed, implemented and maintained in accordance with the provisions hereof. The objective is to eliminate FOG related sanitary sewer overflows and sewer line blockages to prevent residential and commercial property damage, decrease sewer maintenance costs, improve sanitary sewer pipe and lift station conditions, and to protect the environment.

Anoka County does not have jurisdiction over these issues as they are addressed by the State Plumbing Code. However the county supports the ordinance as another way to address concerns that arise during restaurant licensing inspections and plan reviews for new and remodeled restaurants. There is some minor language in the State food code regarding grease traps currently:

4626.1195 GREASE TRAP. 5-402.12

If used, a grease trap must be located to be easily accessible for cleaning.

Statutory Authority: MS s 31.101; 31.11; 144.05; 144.07; 144.08; 144.12; 157.011

History: 23 SR 519; 43 SR 295

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Council feedback is requested.