

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 18-204  
OF THE TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA, TENNESSEE

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the Town of Alexandria, Tennessee as follows:

**Grinder pump wastewater systems.** When connection of building sewers to the public sewer by gravity flow lines is impossible due to elevation differences or other encumbrances, Grinder Pump (GP) systems may be installed subject to the specifications and requirements of the board.

(1) Equipment requirements.

(a) Septic tanks or holding tanks/wet wells for grinder pump systems shall be of watertight construction and must be approved by the Town.

(b) Pumps must be approved by the Town, installed by an approved installer, and such installations shall be reviewed by the Town.

(2) Installation requirements. Location of tanks, pumps, and effluent lines shall be subject to the approval of the Town. Installation shall follow design criteria GP systems as provided by the Town's designated representative.

(3) Costs. GP equipment for new construction shall be purchased and installed at the developer's, homeowner's, or business owner's expense according to the specification of the Town and connection will be made to the town sewer only after inspection and approval of the Town.

(4) Use of GP systems.

(a) Home or business owners shall provide an electrical connection that meets the specifications and shall provide electrical power.

(b) Home or business owners shall be responsible for maintenance of the sewer service lines from the building to the GP tank, as well as the pumps, associated equipment, and force main (pump line) up to the connections point to the town sewer.

(c) Prohibited uses of the GP system.

- (i) Connection of roof guttering, sump pumps or surface drains.
- (ii) Disposal of toxic household substances.
- (iii) Use of garbage grinders or disposers.
- (iv) Discharge of pet hair, lint, or home vacuum water.
- (v) Discharge of fats, grease, and oil.
- (vi) Discharge of paper towels, wipes (flushable and non-flushable), feminine products, or contraceptives.

(5) Tank cleaning. Solids removal from the septic tank shall be the responsibility of the Homeowner.

(6) Maintenance/Replacement. The Homeowner shall be responsible for maintenance of the GP equipment, including any repairs or replacement as may be required.

Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its final passage as required by law.

FIRST READING                    \_\_\_August 27,2019\_\_\_

SECOND READING                \_\_\_September 24, 2019\_\_\_

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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TOWN RECORDER