

ORDINANCE NO. 40-2015

Amending Chapter 922 of the Codified Ordinances of the City Regulating Residential On-Site Sewage Disposal Facilities.

WHEREAS, in 2014 the Ohio legislature finalized rules for the ownership, maintenance, operation and installation of home sewerage treatment systems, effective as of January 1, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, as the City's health services contract provider, the Columbus Board of Health has been responsible to conduct inspections and collect fees from City of Worthington homeowners who have home sewerage treatment facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbus Board of Health adopted Resolution 14-29 to update and revise its rules pertaining to home sewage treatment facilities consistent with the changes required by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3718 and the Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 3701-29; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City to amend Chapter 922 to comply with the revised state regulations and Columbus Board of Health rules.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Sections 922.01 and 922.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Worthington be and the same hereby are amended to read as follows:

922.01 OPERATING PERMIT REQUIRED.

No property owner shall operate an on-site residential sewage disposal system without an operating permit issued by the Columbus Board of Health, acting as the City's designated health services contract provider.

922.02 ISSUANCE OF PERMITS.

An operating permit shall be issued by the Columbus Board of Health pursuant to Chapter 225 of the Columbus City Health Code, amended and adopted by the Columbus Board of Health on December 16, 2014, as the same may be amended, which Chapter is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference. Section 225.01 of the Columbus City Health Code approves Chapter 3701-29 of the Ohio Administrative Code as the minimum compliance standard for enforcement by Columbus Board of Health.

SECTION 2. Sections 922.03 and 922.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the City, pertaining to Inspections and a Grace Period, respectively, are hereby repealed.

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SECTION 3. Section 922.99 of the Codified Ordinances of the City pertaining to the Penalty for a violation of Chapter 922 remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be posted in the Municipal Administration Building, the Worthington Library, the Griswold Center and Worthington Community Center and shall set forth the title and effective date of the Ordinance and a statement that the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and by the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio.

Passed: October 19, 2015

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest:

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council

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P.H. October 19, 2015
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