# **Agenda Report**



2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

# **Public Hearing**

H.2. 10/25/2022

### Subject:

Ordinance Amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Re: Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements. (first reading)

# Fiscal Impact:

None

# **Dept/Office:**

Planning & Development

# Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners conduct the first of two public hearings to consider an Ordinance amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Re: Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements.

# **Summary Explanation and Background:**

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on August 30, 2022, approved legislative intent to grant permission to advertise revisions to Chapter 62, Article VI, Zoning Regulations, and directed staff to revise the Code and update Sections 62-1102, 62-1844.7, 62-2103 and 62-2106 regarding sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements. The proposed changes will allow this type of utility infrastructure to be constructed in any zoning classification and provide greater flexibility within the zoning code.

#### **Proposed Amendments:**

This paragraph is for informational purposes only to provide background for changes (not part of the ordinance).

#### #62-1102 Definitions

 Will create the following definition for sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements:

Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements means the following:

Sewer lift stations are defined as a wastewater collection and pumping system that collects wastewater from collector sewers and pumps it through force main sewers. Sewer vacuum stations are defined as a <a href="https://www.lawinsider.com/dictionary/vacuum-">https://www.lawinsider.com/dictionary/vacuum-</a>

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sewer-system> mechanized system of wastewater collection utilizing differential air pressure to move the wastewater. Centralized stations provide the vacuum with valve pits providing the collection point from the source and also the inlet air required to move the wastewater.

Water and sewer utility infrastructure elements are defined to include, but are not limited to, other infrastructure needed to support the transmission of water and sewer utilities.

#62-1844.7 sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements:

• Will create a new section and a set of performance standards for sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements:

Sec. 62-1844.7. Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements.

- (a) <u>Sewer lift stations</u>, <u>sewer vacuum stations</u>, <u>and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements</u> uses shall be a permitted use within all zoning classifications, subject to the following conditions:
  - (1) <u>Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure</u> elements which utilize an above ground structure smaller than 300 square feet shall meet a minimum setback of five (5.0) feet from all property lines of the parcel.
  - (2) <u>Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements which utilize an above ground structure greater than 300 square feet shall meet the following requirements:</u>
    - a. Have a minimum front setback meeting the requirements of the current zoning classification; and
    - b. When the sewer vacuum station is architecturally treated to appear as a single-family residence, the side and rear setbacks shall maintain the minimum setback of five (5.0) feet. If the sewer vacuum station is not architecturally treated to appear as a single-family residence, the parcel shall utilize landscape buffers along the perimeter of the parcel consistent with the Type A and Type B buffers provided in Chapter 62, Article XIII, Division 2, and must meet the setback criteria for the applicable zoning classification.
- (b) Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements are exempt from having to meet the minimum lot size requirements (width, depth and area) of the zoning classification in which they are located.
- (c) <u>Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements</u> are exempt from having to apply for and comply with the County's site plan requirements identified in <u>Chapter 62</u>, Article VIII.

#### #62-2103 Alteration of lot size

 Will create additional criteria for when a lot is reduced by more than 50% for the purposes of a sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements:

#Sec. 62-2103. Alteration of lot size; structures and lot sizes made nonconforming as a result of dedication or

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partial condemnation; access to lots.

(a) No existing lot or parcel shall be reduced in dimension or area below the minimum requirements applicable to such lot under the provisions of this chapter except as provided elsewhere in this section.

- (b) When a lot is reduced in dimension or total area by 20 percent or less as a result of a portion of such lot being dedicated or condemned for public purposes, the lot shall be considered nonconforming and shall be considered to contain the dimensions and area it contained prior to such dedication or condemnation, however, that, for purposes of determining any other land development requirements, including setback requirements within this chapter, the dimensions and area of such lot as it exists after the condemnation or dedication shall apply.
- (c) When a lot is reduced in dimension by 50% or less as a result of a portion of such lot being dedicated or condemned for a sewer lift station, sewer vacuum station, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements, the lot shall be considered nonconforming and shall be considered to contain the dimensions and area it contained prior to such dedication or condemnation. For purposes of determining any other land development requirements, except setbacks and building spacing requirements within this Chapter, the dimensions and area of such lot as it exists after the condemnation or dedication shall apply.
- (c)(d) Every building or structure hereafter erected shall be located on a lot as defined in this chapter. Every building hereafter erected or structurally altered shall be on a lot, plot, tract or parcel which is consistent with section 62-102 regarding access.

#### #62-3202(b) Exemptions

- Will add the following language to allow for sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements to be exempt from the site plan requirements:
- (b) Exemptions. The following are exempt from the site plan review; however, shall comply with all other development regulations and building code requirements.
  - Detached single family or duplex/two family residence on a fee simple lot.
  - (2) Changing the use of an established site or changing the occupational classification within a structure where the existing parking supports the new use.
  - (3) Ancillary structures including, but not limited to, sheds, canopies, and coolers to an established principal use meeting the following criteria:
    - a. The structure does not necessitate the expansion of the existing infrastructure such as parking spaces, stormwater system, etc., or
    - b. Does not impact the adequacy of the existing infrastructure (e.g. utilize necessary parking spaces, remove/reduce stormwater, etc.), and
    - c. The scope of work does not require modifying the existing site engineering and can be regulated through the building permit review process.

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(4) Co-locates of antennas and equipment on existing towers and tower sites, where there is no expansion of the lease area, no relocation of existing fencing, and no clearing of existing vegetation necessary.

<u>(5)</u> Sewer lift station, sewer vacuum station, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements.

On October 17, 2022, the Local Planning Agency considered the proposed ordinance and voted 6:3 to recommend approval.

### Clerk to the Board Instructions:

None



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October 26, 2022

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Tad Calkins, Planning and Development Director

RE: Item H.2., Ordinance Amending Chapter 62, Article VI, for Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer

Vacuum Stations, and other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on October 25, 2022, conducted the first of two public hearings to consider an ordinance amending Chapter 62, Article VI, for sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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CC:

County Manager

### ORDINANCE NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VI, DIVISION 1, SECTION 62-1102, "DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION" TO CREATE A NEW DEFINITION FOR "SEWER LIFT STATIONS, SEWER VACUUM STATIONS, AND OTHER WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE ELEMENTS": UTILITY CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VI, DIVISION 5, SUBDIVISION II, SECTION 62-1844.7, "SEWER LIFT STATIONS, SEWER VACUUM STATIONS, AND WATER AND SEWER UTILITY **INFRASTRUCTURE** ELEMENTS," THEREBY ALLOWING SEWER LIFT STATIONS, SEWER VACUUM STATIONS, AND OTHER WATER AND SEWER UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE ELEMENTS USES AS A PERMITTED USE WITHIN ZONING **CLASSIFICATIONS** SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VI. DIVISION 6. SUBDIVISION I, SECTION 62-2103, "ALTERATION OF LOT SIZE: STRUCTURES AND LOT SIZES MADE NONCONFORMING AS A RESULT OF DEDICATION OR PARTIAL CONDEMNATION; ACCESS TO LOTS," TO MAINTAIN THE VIABILITY OF EXISTING STRUCTURES MADE NONCONFORMING BY SETBACK OR REDUCED BUILDING SPACING DISTANCES SHOULD THE NEW PROPERTY LINE **OTHERWISE** MAKE THE STRUCTURE NONCONFORMING: AMENDING CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 62-3202(b), "EXEMPTIONS," TO ADD AN EXEMPTION FOR SEWER LIFT STATIONS, SEWER VACUUM STATIONS, AND OTHER WATER AND SEWER UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE ELEMENTS FROM THE SITE PLAN CODE: PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS: **PROVIDING** FOR SEVERABILITY; **PROVIDING** FOR ENCOMPASSED; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the Brevard County Utility Services Department desires certain code modifications (the reduction of minimum lot criteria, zoning setbacks, and the exemption from site plan processing) from Brevard County's Land Development Regulations for the purpose of development of Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, on \* directed preparation of an amendment to the Zoning Regulations as it relates to \*; and

WHEREAS, the Building Construction Advisory Committee, on \*, reviewed the proposed Ordinance and made recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Local Planning Agency, on \*, reviewed the proposed Ordinance and made recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the recommendations of the Local Planning Agency and the Building Construction Advisory Committee, and has considered the comments of interested citizens in public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that the proposed amendments serve the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Brevard County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:

<u>Underline indicates additions.</u> Strike-through indicates deletions.

SECTION 1. Chapter 62 Article VI, Division 1, Section 62-1102, "Definitions and rules of construction", Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby creating a definition for Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements as follows:

<u>Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements means the following:</u>

Sewer lift stations are defined as a wastewater collection and pumping system that collects wastewater from collector sewers and pumps it through force main sewers.

Sewer vacuum stations are defined as a mechanized system of wastewater collection utilizing differential air pressure to move the wastewater. Centralized stations provide the vacuum with valve pits providing the collection point from the source and also the inlet air required to move the wastewater.

Water and sewer utility infrastructure elements are defined to include, but are not limited to, other infrastructure needed to support the transmission of water and sewer utilities.

SECTION 2. New Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 5, Subdivision II, Section 62-1844.7, "Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements", Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby created as follows:

Sec. 62-1844.7. Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements.

- (a) Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements uses shall be a permitted use within all zoning classifications, subject to the following conditions:
  - (1) Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements which utilize an above ground structure smaller than 300 square feet shall meet a minimum setback of five (5.0) feet from all property lines of the parcel.
  - (2) Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements which utilize an above ground structure greater than 300 square feet shall meet the following requirements:
    - a. <u>Have a minimum front setback meeting the requirements of the current zoning classification; and</u>
    - b. When the sewer vacuum station is architecturally treated to appear as a single-family residence, the side and rear setbacks shall maintain the minimum setback of five (5.0) feet. If the sewer vacuum station is not architecturally treated to appear as a single-family residence, the parcel shall utilize landscape buffers along the perimeter of the parcel consistent with the Type A and Type B buffers provided in Chapter 62, Article XIII, Division 2, and must meet the setback criteria for the applicable zoning classification.
- (b) Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements are exempt from having to meet the minimum lot size requirements (width, depth and area) of the zoning classification in which they are located.
- (c) <u>Sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements are exempt from having to apply for and comply with the County's site plan requirements identified in Chapter 62, Article VIII.</u>

SECTION 3. Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 6, Subdivision I, Section 62-2103 "Alteration of lot size; structures and lot sizes made nonconforming as a result of dedication or partial condemnation; access to lots", Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby amended to maintain the viability of existing structures or lots made nonconforming by setback or reduced building spacing distances should the new property line otherwise make the structure nonconforming, as follows:

- Sec. 62-2103. Alteration of lot size; structures and lot sizes made nonconforming as a result of dedication or partial condemnation; access to lots.
- (a) No existing lot or parcel shall be reduced in dimension or area below the minimum requirements applicable to such lot under the provisions of this chapter except as provided elsewhere in this section.
- (b) When a lot is reduced in dimension or total area by 20 percent or less as a result of a portion of such lot being dedicated or condemned for public purposes, the lot shall be considered nonconforming and shall be considered to contain the dimensions and area it contained prior to such dedication or condemnation, however, that, for purposes of determining any other land development requirements, including setback requirements within this chapter, the dimensions and area of such lot as it exists after the condemnation or dedication shall apply.
- (c) When a lot is reduced in dimension by 50% or less as a result of a portion of such lot being dedicated or condemned for a sewer lift station, sewer vacuum station, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements, the lot shall be considered nonconforming and shall be considered to contain the dimensions and area it contained prior to such dedication or condemnation. For purposes of determining any other land development requirements, except setbacks and building spacing requirements within this Chapter, the dimensions and area of such lot as it exists after the condemnation or dedication shall apply.
- (e)(d) Every building or structure hereafter erected shall be located on a lot as defined in this chapter. Every building hereafter erected or structurally altered shall be on a lot, plot, tract or parcel which is consistent with section 62-102 regarding access.
- SECTION 5. Chapter 62, Article VIII, Section 62-3202(b), "Exemptions", Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida, is hereby amended to add an exemption for sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements to the list of exempted uses, as follows:

Sec. 62-3202. General.

- (b) Exemptions. The following are exempt from the site plan review; however, shall comply with all other development regulations and building code requirements.
  - (1) Detached single family or duplex/two family residence on a fee simple lot.
  - (2) Changing the use of an established site or changing the occupational classification within a structure where the existing parking supports the new use.
  - (3) Ancillary structures including, but not limited to, sheds, canopies, and coolers to an established principal use meeting the following criteria:

- The structure does not necessitate the expansion of the existing infrastructure such as parking spaces, stormwater system, etc., or
- Does not impact the adequacy of the existing infrastructure (e.g. utilize necessary parking spaces, remove/reduce stormwater, etc.), and
- The scope of work does not require modifying the existing site engineering and can be regulated through the building permit review process.
- (4) Co-locates of antennas and equipment on existing towers and tower sites, where there is no expansion of the lease area, no relocation of existing fencing, and no clearing of existing vegetation necessary.
- (5) Sewer lift station, sewer vacuum station, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements.

SECTION 6. Conflicting Provisions. In the case of a direct conflict between any provision of this Ordinance and a portion or provision of any other appropriate federal, state or county law, rule, code or regulation, the more restrictive shall apply.

SECTION 7. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable.

SECTION 8. Area Encompassed. This Ordinance shall take effect only in the unincorporated area of Brevard County, Florida.

SECTION 9. Effective Date. A certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed with the Office of the Secretary of State, State of Florida within ten (10) days of enactment. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and filing as required by law.

SECTION 10. Inclusion in Code. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Brevard County, Florida; and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this \* day of \*, 2022.

Attest:	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
Rachel M. Sadoff, Clerk	Kristine Zonka Chair

Attest:

(as approved by the Board on \*, 2022)

(SEAL)

# **Agenda Report**



2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Wav Viera, FL 32940

#### Consent

F.2. 8/30/2022

### Subject:

Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise, Re: Ordinance Amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Regarding Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements

# **Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

# Dept/Office:

Planning and Development

# Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve legislative intent and permission to advertise an Ordinance change amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 1, Section 62-1102; Creating Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 5, Section 62-1844.7; Amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 6, Section 62-2103; Amending Chapter 62, Article VII, Section 62-3202(b).

# **Summary Explanation and Background:**

These proposed code amendments will define what are sewer lift stations, vacuum station, and will allow water and sewer infrastructure to be permitted within any zoning classification. This code amendment will also establish certain performance standards to help preserve the residential character of a neighborhood. This code amendment also provides relief if a property is reduced in size by more than 50% as a result of sewer lift station, sewer vacuum station or other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements. Lastly, the code amendment exempts sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements from site plan review.

### Clerk to the Board Instructions:



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August 31, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Tad Calkins, Planning and Development Director

RE: Item F.2., Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise for an Ordinance Amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Regarding Sewer Lift Stations, Sewer Vacuum Stations, and Other Water and Sewer Utility Infrastructure Elements

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on August 30, 2022, granted legislative intent and permission to advertise an ordinance change amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 1, Section 62-1102; creating Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 5, Section 62-1844.7; amending Chapter 62, Article VI, Division 6, Section 62-2103; and amending Chapter 62, Article VII, Section 62-3202(b) regarding sewer lift stations, sewer vacuum stations, and other water and sewer utility infrastructure elements.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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cc: County Attorney