

Introduced by: Dan Leinberger
Date Introduced: July 12, 2005
Public Hearing Date: July 26, 2005
Action: Passed (4-2)
Date Enacted: July 26, 2005

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE #05-08

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FOLLOWING
SECTIONS OF THE CITY OF BETHEL CODE OF ORDINANCES:
(1) SECTION 13.04.180 ENTITLED HOLDING TANK SERVICE AND
(2) SECTION 13.08.160 ENTITLED HOLDING TANKS AND SANITARY CANS**

WHEREAS, the city has been required to transport water and sewage to increasingly distant locations due to new home construction on the outer limits of the City;

WHEREAS, the cost of transporting the water and sewage would be reduced by an increase in the size of both water and sewage tanks because it would permit the City to deliver water to both tanks less frequently;

WHEREAS, an increase in the tank sizes would not only reduce the transportation costs for the City but would reduce the transportation fees required to be paid by new homeowners;

WHEREAS, the benefit to the new homeowners of reduced transportation costs will ultimately exceed the burden of the increased cost of a larger tank;

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

SECTION 2. Amendment. Section 13.04.180 of the Bethel Municipal Code entitled "Holding tankservice" is hereby amended to include the following (added language is underlined):

Customers to whom a water main is not available may have water delivered to their properties for discharge into holding tanks, provided that the location, type of holding tank and access thereto is approved by the department. Quantity and frequency of delivery shall be determined by regulations or orders of the department and approved by the council by resolution and the rate charged for such delivery shall be determined by the council by ordinance. In new home construction, the minimum water holding tank size shall be determined by the chart below:

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Number of Bedrooms	Water Tank Size
One bedroom	<u>600 gallons</u>
Two bedrooms	<u>800 gallons</u>
Three bedrooms	<u>1000 gallons</u>
Four bedrooms	<u>1200 gallons</u>

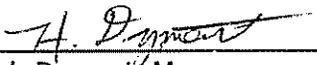
New home construction is defined as all new homes where the site permit is approved after September 30, 2005.

SECTION 3. Amendment. Section 13.08.160 of the Bethel Municipal Code entitled "Holding tanks and sanitary cans" is hereby amended to include the following (added language is underlined):

A. All persons required to subscribe to sewer collection services but to whom a sewer is not available shall have sewage collected from their property or residence provided that the location, type of holding tank or sanitary can, and access thereto is approved by the department. Quantity and frequency of sewage services shall be determined by regulations or orders of the department and approved by the council by resolution, and the rate charged for such delivery shall be determined by the council by ordinance. Sewage tanks must be a minimum of two hundred (200) gallons above the required water tank size.

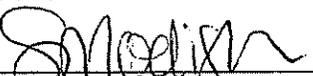
SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately or upon adoption by the City Council.

ENACTED THIS 26th DAY OF JULY, 2005, BY A VOTE OF 4 IN FAVOR AND 2 OPPOSED.



Hugh Dymont, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra Modigh, City Clerk

Introduced by: City Manager Herron
Date Introduced: April 26, 2005
Public Hearing Date: May 10, 2005
June 14, 2005
Action: Failed
Date Enacted: none

CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

ORDINANCE #05-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13.04.180 AND SECTION 13.08.160 OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE MINIMUM WATER AND SEWER HOLDING TANK SIZES

WHEREAS, a significant percentage of new home construction is occurring at some of the most distant locations within the city limits where the city has accepted the responsibility of the roads;

WHEREAS, an efficient system of truck haul water and sewage deliveries may be realized with a minimum water holding tank size;

WHEREAS, with the introduction of an ordinance considering amending the Bethel Municipal Code related to minimum water and sewer tank sizes;

WHEREAS, the referral of this ordinance will allow the Public Works Committee and the Finance Committee to discuss and consider public comments on this issue and return to the City Council a carefully thought out recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall become a part of the Bethel Municipal Code.

SECTION 2. Amendment. Section 13.04.180 of the Bethel Municipal Code entitled "Holding Tank Services" is hereby amended to include the following (new language is underlined):

13.04.180 Holding Tanks Service

Customers to whom a water main is not available may have water delivered to their properties for discharge into holding tanks, provided that the location, type of holding tank and access thereto is approved by the department. Quantity and frequency of delivery shall be determined by regulations or orders of the department and approved by the council by resolution, and the rate charged for such delivery shall be determined by the council by ordinance. In new home construction, the minimum water holding tank size shall be 1,500 gallons.

Introduced by: City Manager Herron
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June 14, 2005
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Date Enacted: none

SECTION 3. Amendment. Section 13.08.160 of the Bethel Municipal Code entitled "Holding Tanks and Service Cans" is hereby amended to include the following (new language is underlined):

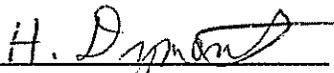
13.08.160 Holding Tanks and Sanitary Cans

A. All persons required to subscribe to sewer collection services but to whom a sewer is not available shall have sewage collected from their property or residence provided that the location, type of holding tank or sanitary can, and access thereto is approved by the department. Quantity and frequency of sewer services shall be determined by regulations or orders of the department and approved by the council by resolution, and the rate charged for such sewage collection services shall be determined by the council by ordinance.

B. All sewage holding tanks shall be equipped with an operating, three-inch, female camlock device. No evacuation service may be provided after October 30, 1999 to a holding tank unless it is equipped with a properly operating, compatible camlock.

C. Sewage holding tanks must be a minimum of 200 gallons above the water tank size.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately exempting site plans already filed with the City Planning Department and upon passage of the City Council.



Hugh Dymont, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra Modigh, City Clerk