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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

In accordance with Rhode Island Public Law 2016, Chapter 61, the Warwick Sewer Authority (WSA) has completed wholesale revisions and major updates to its regulations (sewer use ordinance). The existing regulations were reorganized and updated in accordance with federal and state guidelines, standards and recommended format. The WSA is inviting public comment on the new draft regulations as well as any adverse effects the proposed regulations may have.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR CHANGES

Article 7 – Privately-Owned Wastewater Treatment Facilities

This is a new regulation which is required by Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management Rules and Regulations for the Operation and Maintenance of Wastewater Treatment Facilities (<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/water/wtfom08.pdf>) to ensure proper operation and maintenance of private wastewater infrastructure, including private pumping stations. The proposed regulations require the submission of Operations & Maintenance manuals for approval and annual reporting.

Article 9 – Sewer Charges

The proposed regulations include new methodology for sewer assessments based on Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDUs). Please note that the sewer assessment rates for new sewer construction have yet to be determined and will be the subject of a future public hearing.

HOW TO COMMENT

Due to the size of the draft document, electronic copies will be made available to all requestors. A copy is available on the WSA website (www.warwicksewerauthority.com). Hard copies will be available for review during normal business hours at the following locations:

Warwick Sewer Authority
Administration Building Conference Room
125 Arthur W. Devine Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02886
(401) 468-4700

WSA Regulations Public Hearing Notice

Warwick City Clerk's Office
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886

Warwick Public Library
Main Branch
600 Sandy Lane
Warwick, RI 02889

A Public Hearing to solicit comments on the draft regulations will be held:

Monday, September 25, 2017
7:00 PM
City Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886

Written comments on the proposed regulations may be submitted to:

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Public comments on WSA's proposed regulations will be accepted until Monday, October 16th at 4:00 PM.