

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
November 18, 2020

Agenda Item:

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-08 NPDES Illicit Discharge Ordinance.

Description:

An important next step toward improving the water quality in the Estero River and Estero Bay and complying with the Village's NPDES Permit, is adopting an ordinance that prohibits the discharge of anything other than stormwater (with identified exceptions) into any drainage systems within the Village of Estero.

The purpose of this ordinance is to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the Village of Estero through the regulation of non-storm water discharges to the storm drainage system to the maximum extent practicable as required by federal and state law. This ordinance establishes methods for controlling the introduction of pollutants into the drainage system in order to comply with requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit process. The objectives of this ordinance are:

1. To regulate the contribution of pollutants to the drainage system from stormwater discharges by any user
2. To prohibit Illicit Connections and Discharges to the drainage system
3. To establish legal authority to carry out all inspection, surveillance and monitoring procedures necessary to ensure compliance with this ordinance

The Ordinance will prohibit any person from discharging anything into any drainage system other than stormwater with the following exceptions:

- i. Water line flushing;
- ii. Landscape irrigation;
- iii. Diverted stream flows;
- iv. Rising ground waters;
- v. Uncontaminated ground water infiltration;
- vi. Uncontaminated pumped ground water;
- vii. Discharges from potable water sources;
- viii. Foundation drains;
- ix. Air conditioning condensate;
- x. Irrigation water;
- xi. Springs;

- xii. Water from crawl space pumps;
- xiii. Footing drains;
- xiv. Lawn watering runoff;
- xv. Water from individual residential car washing;
- xvi. Flows from riparian habitats and wetlands;
- xvii. Dechlorinated swimming pool discharges;
- xviii. Residual street wash water; and,
- xix. Discharges or flows from fire fighting activities.

Action Requested:

Pass first reading of Ordinance No. 2020-08 and schedule second reading/public hearing for December 2, 2020.

Financial Impact:

The Village of Estero will incur administrative costs related to Village of Estero staff identifying, investigating, and enforcing illicit discharges within the Village.

Attachments:

1. Proposed Ordinance No. 2020-08