



Sanitary Sewer Connection

Mon-E-Bak and Brown Road East
Public Meetings – Dec. 6 & 7, 2017



Welcome & Introductions

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Meeting Purpose, Format and Discussion Guidelines

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Meeting Purpose & Agenda

- Update on the Mon-E-Bak & Brown Rd. East Construction
- Explain the sewer connection process and deadlines
- Explain how those who meet all program requirements can apply for financial assistance
- Answer your questions

Format & Discussion Guidelines

Format

- Presentation and facilitated question and answers
- Open house and one-on-one discussions

Discussion Guidelines

- Respect each other's time
- Respect each other's questions
- It's okay to disagree, but please don't be disagreeable
- Please don't provide personal financial information

Sewer Connection Process and Deadlines

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Mon-E-Bak/Brown Road East

- Construction is nearly complete

Sewer Connection Deadlines

- **All properties** are required to connect by **December 20, 2019**

Sewer Connection Requirements

- A qualified contractor approved by City of Columbus Dept. of Public Utilities (DPU)
 - To complete the connection from home to sanitary sewer
 - To decommission the septic tank
 - May require two separate contractors
 - See <https://ca.Columbus.gov/CA/>

Sewer Connection Requirements

- Coordinate an inspection with Franklin County Public Health Dept. (FCPH) to ensure septic tank is abandoned properly
 - Be sure proper forms and permits are obtained
 - Call 614-525-3160
 - Email fcph@franklincountyohio.gov

Sewer Connection Recommendations

- We encourage you to get three separate quotes
- **Teaming with your neighbors** may help you get lower cost estimates (group discounts)

Sewer Connection Requirements

- Plumbing code requires 10 feet between your sewer lateral and any surrounding water service
- You must apply for a sanitary sewer permit with Franklin Co. Sanitary Engineering (FCSE)
 - Must file in person or contractor may file on your behalf
 - Must have your septic system abandonment form from Franklin Co. Public Health when you apply for the permit

Sewer Connection Requirements

- It is assumed all residences are on well water
 - Contractor must purchase a water meter for sewer usage billing
 - Water meter must be compatible with DPU specifications
 - Call DPU at 614-645-8275
 - The County will provide the meter reading to the City to let them know when sewer service began
 - FCSE doesn't charge for or provide water meters in area

3-Step Process

1. Hire a City-approved, qualified contractor
2. You or your contractor files for a permit
 - Full payment of all permit, inspection and meter fees is required when you obtain the permit
 - Cash or check only, payable to FCSE
 - Capacity charge: \$3,348
 - Inspection: \$85
3. Sewer lateral construction
 - At current market rates, total construction cost may be:
 - Between \$9,000—\$10,000
 - Depends on length of lateral

Financial assistance covers all expenses if you qualify

Sewer Connection Requirements

- Your contractor will coordinate with FCSE to inspect the proper installation of the sewer lateral and read your meter
- Access to inside and outside your home will be required to complete the inspection
- A separate inspection of the abandoned septic tank by FCPH may be required

Sewer Connection Requirements

- Sewer service bills will be handled by Columbus Public Utilities
- See <http://tinyurl.com/ogtg5al>
- This is considered a County Rural area subject to a County surcharge
- See the City's customer service page for discount programs and tips for reducing bills

Financial Assistance

Benjamin Amick, Amick Municipal Consulting Group, LLC

Program Eligibility Requirements

- Own and live in the property (primary residence)
- Owner-occupant for at least one year
- No bankruptcies in last 12 months
- Property taxes paid in full and current
- Have property/homeowner's insurance
- Gross annual income does not exceed U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's 2017 Gross Income Guidelines

Program Eligibility Requirements

Household size (number of people in household)

	1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
Income*	\$41,650	\$47,600	\$53,550	\$59,500	\$64,050	\$69,050	\$73,800	\$78,550

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's 2017 Gross Income Guidelines

You Do Not Qualify If You:

- Live in a property as a renter
- Own the property but rent it to others
- Property taxes are past due
- Filed bankruptcy within the last 12 months
- Do not have property/homeowner's insurance
- Have annual income that exceeds the HUD limits

Required Documents

- The Financial Assistance Application
- If employed, also submit:
 - Copy of 2016 Tax Return
 - 2016 W-2 forms from each employer
- Three most recent payroll stubs
- All sources of household income for all occupants must accompany the application

For Example

- If you receive Social Security, public assistance and/or unemployment compensation, also submit:
 - A copy of most recent award letter
 - A copy of most recent Social Security/public assistance/unemployment check

For Example

- If self-employed, also submit:
 - 2016 Federal Tax Return for Corporations or copies of 1099 forms

For Example

- If child support, alimony, palimony, disability or other financial assistance is received also submit:
 - A copy of 2016 Tax Return
 - Any applicable award letters for this income

Other Required Documents

- Two most recent statements for checking and savings accounts
- Declaration Page from the Homeowner's Insurance policy.

Submission Process

- Mail the application and required documents **by Feb. 16, 2018**, to:

Franklin County Dept. of Sanitary Engineering
Attn: Benjamin Amick – Financial Assistance Application
280 E. Broad Street, 2nd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-6314

Submission Process

- Or fax the application and required documents **by Feb. 16, 2018**, to:

614-525-5210

Attn: Benjamin Amick – Financial Assistance Application

See handouts for all contact information provided in this presentation and other helpful resources

After Submission

- You will receive a letter indicating whether or not you're approved
- If approved, next steps will be shared in follow up instructions

After Submission

- Approval means you receive a **10-year no payment interest free loan to cover all project costs**
 - If you sell your home before 10 years, you will be responsible for the loan balance
 - Balance declines by 10% every year
 - Example: If loan is \$10,000 and you sell home after 5 years, you or the buyer pays \$5,000

Questions, Comments

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Discussion Guidelines

- Raise hands to indicate you have questions or comments
- Be brief so we can get to as many people as possible
- Please be respectful and polite

Open House



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