

ORDINANCE NO. 1483

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA
AMENDING THE ARCATA MUNICIPAL CODE
APPROVED TESTING METHODS AND REPAIR REQUIREMENTS
FOR BUILDING SEWERS AND SEWER CLEAN-OUTS**

The City Council of the City of Arcata does ordain as follows:

Section 1: Section 7453 of the Arcata Municipal Code Title VII (Public Works), Chapter 2 (Sewers), Article 5 (Inspection and Repair of Building Sewers and Private Sewers at Time of Sale) is hereby amended as shown in the following strike through and bold underscore.

SEC. 7453. Approved Testing Methods and Repair Requirements.

A. All Building Sewers and Sewer Clean-outs subject to testing under this Article, must be tested using **a static 10' high water pressure test between the building's Sewer Clean-out and the City's Sewer Clean-out by a qualified licensed plumbing contractor, utility evaluation service, or the homeowner upon prior approval of the City Engineer.** **Alternatively, with the prior approval of the City Engineer,** closed circuit television (CCTV) performed by a qualified licensed plumbing contractor or utility evaluation service, ~~unless the City has approved of~~ **or** an alternate testing method that it is capable of testing with at least the same thoroughness or accuracy as the CCTV **may be used.**

B. Any non-sewer connections to a Building Sewer or Sewer Clean-out discovered during testing must be immediately disconnected and redirected as required by the City.

Section 2: Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this chapter is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Chapter. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Chapter, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid under law.

Section 3: This ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines pursuant to Section 15307 and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Section 4: This ordinance will take effect thirty (30) days after the date of its adoption.

DATE: December 21, 2016

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

/s/ Kara Newman-Ferdolage
Deputy City Clerk, City of Arcata

/s/ Susan Ornelas
Mayor, City of Arcata

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 1483, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata, Humboldt County, California, on the 21st day of December, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: PITINO, PEREIRA, ORNELAS, WHEETLEY, WINKLER

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

/s/ Kara Newman-Ferdolage
Deputy City Clerk, City of Arcata