



Legislation Text

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Request for Approval of the Resolution to follow the updated Rules and Regulations regarding the Industrial Pretreatment Program as adopted by the Great Lakes Water Authority

Whereas, the Great Lakes Water Authority ("GLWA") is a Michigan municipal authority and public body corporate organized and existing pursuant to the provisions of Michigan Public Act No.233 of 1955, as amended, MCL 124.281, et seq. ("Act 233"), for the purpose of establishing a regional sewage disposal system to operate, control, and improve the sewage disposal system leased from the City of Detroit; and

Whereas, pursuant to Act 233, the City of Rochester Hills is a constituent municipality of GLWA; and

Whereas, as authorized by Act 233, GLWA and the constituent municipalities are required by state and federal law to adopt binding rules and regulations (Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference) as part of an Industrial Pretreatment Program (IPP) in order to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, including, without limitation, the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 USC Section 1251, et. seq., the General Pretreatment Regulations for Existing and New Sources of Pollution, 40 CFR 403, and the National Categorical Pretreatment Standards contained in 40 CFR Sections 405-471; and

Whereas, these rules and regulations were adopted by GLWA as a uniform code to: (1) regulate wastes and wastewaters discharged into the collection system for all participating municipalities; (2) prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater systems which will interfere with the operation of the system, contaminate the resulting sludge, or pose a hazard to the health, safety or welfare of the people, the communities or to employees of GLWA; (3) prevent the introduction of pollutants into the wastewater system which will pass inadequately treated through the system and into the receiving waters, the atmosphere, and the environment, or will otherwise be incompatible with the system; (4) provide for the recovery of costs from users of the wastewater collection system sufficient to administer regulatory activities and meet the costs of operation, maintenance, improvement and replacement of the system; and

Whereas, after a 45-day public comment period and public hearing, the Board of the GLWA approved the IPP Rules on November 13, 2019.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the governing body of the City of Rochester Hills, in compliance with Act 233 and state and federal law, hereby concur in the IPP rules and regulations attached hereto as Exhibit A; including any subsequent amendments thereto, which amendments, if any, shall not require the approval of this governing body; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the adoption and approval of the rules and regulations contained in Exhibit A shall be contractually binding on the parties, and no governing body of the City of Rochester Hills shall be authorized or empowered to rescind or change the approval granted in this resolution without 180 days prior written notice to the GLWA.