

ORDINANCE NO. 180158

An Ordinance amending Article 4 of Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to allow Bonded Sewer Contractors to install City approved sewer saddles on sewer house connections fifteen (15) inches in diameter or less and increase the deposit and or bond amount required of sewer contractors who work in the public way.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Subsection (b) of Section 64.15.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**(b) Deposits.**

1. **Required.** Except as otherwise provided in this article, a permit required by Section 64.12 under which an excavation, tunnel or the laying of sewer or storm drain pipe in any public street or public easement is contemplated, will not be issued until the applicant has deposited with the Board not less than \$10,000 in cash which shall remain on deposit with the Board for not less than six months from the date of the last permit issued to the depositor thereof. Such deposit will be held to insure the faithful and proper performance of the work and the payment of all charges required by Sections 64.12 to 64.22 inclusive, and the Board is hereby empowered to deduct from the cash deposit all sums due for charges hereunder and for any and all damages accruing to this City by reason of faulty, defective or incomplete work by the permittee.

2. **Surety Bond in Lieu of Deposit.** Whenever in this section a cash bond in the amount of \$10,000 or over is required, the applicant may provide in lieu of such cash deposit, a good and sufficient bond in an amount equal to the amount of such cash deposit, payable to this City, executed by the applicant as the principal and by a reliable surety company qualified to do business in California and the City of Los Angeles, which bond is satisfactory to this City. Such bond shall be deposited with and held by the City to insure the faithful and proper performance of the work and the payment of all charges required by Sections 64.12 to 64.22 inclusive, upon the same terms as those required by the cash deposit, in lieu of which, the bond is executed. The Board is hereby empowered to demand and receive payment from the bond for all sums due for charges hereunder and for any and all damages accruing to this City by reason of faulty, defective or incomplete work by the permittee.

**3. Increase in Bond Amount.** On July 1, 2009, the amount set forth in subsections 64.15.1(b)1 and 64.15.1(b)2 for both the required cash deposit and surety bond shall increase from \$10,000 to \$20,000. On July 1, 2011, the amounts for both the required cash deposit and surety bond shall increase from \$20,000 to \$25,000 and on each July 1 starting in 2012, the amount of both the required cash deposit and surety bond shall increase annually by the percentage amount of the increase in the consumer price index for the previous calendar year rounded up to the nearest \$100. Starting in 2012, all current Bonded Sewer Contractors shall be notified each year by April 1 of the new bonding requirements and the need to have a new bond in the correct amount in place by July 1.

Section 2. Subsection (c) of Section 64.20 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

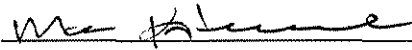
(c) Whenever the Board finds that it is necessary for any such person to construct a connection to any sewer greater than fifteen (15) inches in diameter where no "Wye" or "Tee" spur branch or other structural opening exists, the contractor or person doing such work shall excavate to the sewer at the point where the connection is to be made, and sewer maintenance forces from the City shall then cut the required hole in the top of the sewer and install an approved sewer saddle provided by the contractor for the connection.

Whenever the Board finds that it is necessary for any such person to construct a connection to any sewer fifteen (15) inches or less in diameter where no "Wye" or "Tee" spur branch or other structural opening exists, the Bureau of Engineering in consultation with the Bureau of Sanitation may authorize the contractor or person doing such work to cut the hole in the top of the sewer and furnish and install an approved saddle after paying for Special Inspection by the Inspector of Public Works as part of the required permit.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of AUG 13 2008.

KAREN E. KALFAYAN, City Clerk

By   
Deputy

Approved AUG 21 2008

  
Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

By   
CHRISTOPHER M. WESTHOFF  
Assistant City Attorney

Date 7/14/08

File No. 08-0647

## DECLARATION OF POSTING ORDINANCE

I, MARIA C. RICO, state as follows: I am, and was at all times hereinafter mentioned, a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and a Deputy City Clerk of the City of Los Angeles, California.

**Ordinance No. 180158 – Amending Subsection (b) of Section 64.15.1 and Subsection (c) of Section 64.20 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to allow Bonded Sewer Contractors to install City approved sewer saddles on sewer house connections, etc.** - a copy of which is hereto attached, was finally adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on **August 13, 2008**, and under the direction of said City Council and the City Clerk, pursuant to Section 251 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles and Ordinance No. 172959, on **August 25, 2008** I posted a true copy of said ordinance at each of three public places located in the City of Los Angeles, California, as follows: 1) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; 2) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; 3) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Hall of Records of the County of Los Angeles.

Copies of said ordinance were posted conspicuously beginning on **August 25, 2008** and will be continuously posted for ten or more days.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed this **25th** day of **August 2008** at Los Angeles, California.

  
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Maria C. Rico, Deputy City Clerk

**Ordinance Effective Date: October 4, 2008**

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