

BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

ORDINANCE NO. 143

AN ORDINANCE - Regulating the discharge of waste materials into sewers of the Borough of Monroeville; prohibiting the discharge thereinto of wastes which may damage the sewers or other facilities of the Borough of Monroeville or of the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority, which may interfere with sewage treatment process, or which may endanger life or safety; and providing for penalties for violation.

WHEREAS, In order to comply with the Pennsylvania Pure Streams Law and the orders of the Sanitary Water Board issued thereunder, the Borough of Monroeville (hereinafter called the "Borough"), pursuant to Ordinance No. 46, approved, August 1, 1955, entered into a long-term sewage service agreement with the City of Pittsburgh (hereinafter called the "City") and the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (hereinafter called the "Sanitary Authority") to construct and operate a sewage collection, treatment and disposal system (hereinafter called the "Sewage Disposal System") to serve the City and 69 adjacent municipalities, including the Borough; and

WHEREAS, The Sanitary Authority is completing construction of such Sewage Disposal System and has already connected many municipal outfall sewers, including some that are or will be used by the Borough, to structures and other facilities which are a part of the Sewage Disposal System; and

WHEREAS, Certain harmful wastes now being discharged into Borough sewers will damage or clog not only the Borough's sewers, but also the structures and other facilities of the Sewage Disposal System, or may interfere with the proper operation thereof; and

WHEREAS, Some of such harmful wastes are dangerous to the health and life of operating personnel and the public, and some create offensive nuisance conditions; and

WHEREAS, The said Sewage Service Agreement requires the Borough to exercise its rights and powers to carry into effect the purposes and intent of such agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to safeguard health and life and assure the proper collection, treatment and disposal of sewage, as well as to protect the sewers and other facilities of the Borough and the Sanitary Authority,

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association or corporation to discharge or to permit the discharge or infiltration into any Borough sewer which is connected directly or indirectly with the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System or into a sewer connected to such a Borough Sewer or into the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System of any of the following substances:

- a. Mineral acids, waste acid pickling or plating liquors from the pickling or plating of iron, steel, brass, copper or chromium, or any other dissolved or solid substances which will endanger health or safety, interfere with the flow in sewers, attack or corrode sewers or sewage structures or equipment, or otherwise interfere with the operation of the sewers or other facilities of the Borough or the Sanitary Authority.
- b. Cyanides or cyanogen compounds capable of liberating hydrocyanic gas on acidification.
- c. Fats, entrails and the like from meat processing plants, rendering plants and similar industries and establishments.

- d. Gas tar, phenols, residues from petroleum storage, refining or processing, fuel or lubricating oil, gasoline, naphtha, benzene or explosive or inflammable liquids, solids or gases.
- e. Ashes, cinders, sand, mud, lime or acetylene sludges, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, sawdust, paunch manure, hair, hides, dead animals, spent mash and grain, pulp from food processing, water or wastes containing grease in excess of 100 parts per million, or any other solids or viscous substances capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers or other interference with the proper operation of the Borough's or the Sanitary Authority's facilities.
- f. Sludges or other materials from septic tanks or similar facilities or from sewage or industrial waste treatment plants or from water treatment plants; provided, however, that until March 1, 1959 but not thereafter, the discharge of such sludges and other materials may be permitted subject to existing legal restrictions and subject also to the regulations and orders of the Borough, the Allegheny County Health Department and the Sanitary Authority.
- g. Garbage, whether ground or not, except properly shredded garbage in a private dwelling, apartment, building, hotel, commercial restaurant or retail food store, resulting from the proper use of a garbage grinder or disposer of a type approved by

the Borough, the Allegheny County Health Department and the Sanitary Authority and maintained in good operating condition; provided, however, that no retail food store shall operate more than one grinder or disposer which shall be not greater than three horsepower in size and, when so required by the Allegheny County Health Department, shall be equipped with an approved water meter and limited in use to the consumption of an average of not more than 1,500 gallons of water per day; and provided, further, that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to any existing installation in a retail food store of a garbage grinder or disposer larger than three horsepower in size until such time as the equipment now in use can no longer be kept in good operating condition by ordinary maintenance and repair, at which time such larger than three horsepower grinder or disposer shall be abandoned and shall not be renewed or replaced.

- h. Water or wastes having a PH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.0, or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment or personnel of the Borough of the Sanitary Authority.

q SECTION 2. Any person, firm, association or corporation discharging or permitting the discharge or infiltration of any of the foregoing wastes or materials into a Borough sewer which is connected directly or indirectly with the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal

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System or into a sewer connected to such a Borough sewer or into the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System shall immediately cease to discharge or permit the discharge of such materials or wastes there-into; provided, however, that temporary permission for the discharge of neutralized acid wastes only may be granted by the Borough, subject to the approval of the Sanitary Authority, for a period expiring not later than December 31, 1958, upon submission to them of satisfactory evidence of the installation and operation of proper neutralizing facilities, and of steps taken to provide for the separate disposal or treatment and disposal of such acid wastes upon expiration of the temporary permit.

SECTION 3. Any person, firm, association or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense, recoverable with costs, and in default of payment of the fine and costs, shall be subject to imprisonment in the County Jail or workhouse for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense. In the case of firms or associations, the penalty may be imposed upon the partners or members thereof, and in the case of corporations upon the officers thereof.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this ordinance are severable, and the invalidity of any section, clause, sentence or provision of this ordinance shall not affect or impair the validity of any other part of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid part or parts.

SECTION 5. Any ordinance or part of ordinance, conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance, be and the same is hereby repealed,

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so far as the same affects this ordinance.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW IN COUNCIL THIS 26th DAY OF  
AUGUST, 1958.

Attest:

BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

S/ Audrey D. McCarthy  
Borough Secretary

S/ William Vastadore  
President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY me this 26th day of August, 1958.

S/ Anthony J. Martin  
Burgess