



CITY OF ST. ANN SEWER LATERAL REPAIR POLICY

On November 4, 1997, the St. Ann voters approved the proposition to assess up to \$28.00 per year on all residential property containing six (6) or fewer dwelling units to provide funds to pay the cost of certain repairs of defective lateral sewer service lines serving such dwelling units. The City has made an investigation and has concluded that, for 1998, these funds will allow the City to pay up to sixty percent (60%) of the cost of such repairs. As the repair fund grows, the City will review its actual experience and, for future years, may adjust the percentage of payment.

On **March 6, 2006**, the St. Ann Board of Aldermen unanimously passed an ordinance to reimburse a property owner, eighty five percent (85%) of cost in repairing defective lateral sewer service lines servicing the property of the owner, in compliance with the City's policy, as here set out.

On **May 7, 2007**, the St. Ann Board of Aldermen unanimously amended the sewer lateral ordinance that the City of St. Ann will directly reimburse the Contractor 85% of cost in repairing defective lateral sewer service line. The property owner will be responsible for the first 15%.

1. A lateral sewer service line is a sewer line which extends from the building foundation wall or exterior wall to the sewer main in the street or sewer easement. It does not include a sewer line located under any part of the building. A lateral sewer service line may be located in a front, side or rear yard.
2. If an owner is experiencing a problem with the lateral sewer service line, the owner should contract a plumbing company or a drain and sewer cleaning company to have the line cabled. Sometimes the problem is not with the sewer line, but it may have become clogged up from the entry of improper materials into the line. The cost of cleaning out of the sewer line will not be a reimbursable cost item. If the problem is not resolved by cabling of the line, the property owner should contact the St. Ann Department of Public Works, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and noon, at 423-2917. **The owner must fill out an application and submit required paper work. (See Check List)**

APPLICATION MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE WORK CAN BEGIN.

3. The owner must hire a contractor to televise the line so that the cause of the problem can be determined. If the test discloses that the line is defective, the cost of such testing, up to a maximum of \$250.00, can be included as part of the reimbursable cost. The owner must obtain and submit at least three (3) bids for the work in order to make sure that a contractor has given a fair competitive bid.

4. If it is determined, through the television inspection, that the sewer service line is defective; the owner may hire a contractor to perform the corrective work. Any such contractor must obtain ***ALL*** necessary permits from the City before the work is begun. ***If the televising inspection fails to demonstrate that the line is defective, the property owner shall pay the testing contractor and will not be reimbursed for the televising service.***
5. The corrective work which is subject to reimbursement is limited to excavation, repair or replacement of the line, back filling, seeding/straw of the disturbed portion of the yard.
6. Upon completion of the corrective work and payment by the owner, the owner is to file an affidavit with the St. Ann Department of Public Works which shows that the work has been completed and 15% of total bill paid showing exactly what work has been done. The City will review the affidavit and paid bill. If the work is determined by the City to have been for repair of the defective line, the City will reimburse the contractor for 85% of such corrective work.
9. The City has no obligation or responsibility for the performance by the contractor and is not responsible for any damages caused to the owner's property by reason of the defective sewer line.
10. If the Department of Public Works determines that an emergency or special circumstance exists, the bidding requirements may be waived by the Public Works Director.
11. No sewer lateral repair application shall be processed for any applicant who, at the time of said application, is in violation of any ordinance contained in Title IV: Land Use or Title V: Building Code of the Municipal Code of the City of St. Ann. (i.e.; Occupancy Permit, unpaid taxes, etc.)

Emergency: An unsanitary or unsafe condition, such as sewage back up into the residence causing a health hazard to the occupants or the existence of a sink hole or cave-in in a street or sidewalk in a well traveled area. These applications will be handled as a top priority.

Priority: Minimal/Periodic backup is evident or there are safety concerns with a visible sinkhole or minor cave-in that does not pose an immediate threat to pedestrians or motorists traveling within the public right-of-way.

Routine: The lateral is defective, but it does not pose an immediate risk.

Existing: Known sewer lateral defects that existed prior to March 7, 2006.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE OUTLINED PROCEDURE (I.E. DOING WORK WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION) WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, the owner of the property numbered _____, hereby certify that I have incurred expenses for repair of the defective lateral sewer service line at my property.

I hereby certify that all corrective work has been completed and 15% of total cost of the repair has been paid directly to the Contractor. A copy of the bill (s), marked paid for the 15% to the Contractor is attached.

Reimbursement from the City for an amount equal to 85% for the corrective work will be paid directly to the Contractor upon receipt of a signed Release from the Contractor.

By signing this application, the applicant agrees that the City of St. Ann, Missouri is not responsible for any actions taken by the contractor or subcontractor hired by the applicant and that the City of St. Ann, Missouri is not liable for any damage or liability incurred by either the contractors, subcontractors and/or applicant. Applicant understands that the City of St. Ann is not guaranteeing the work of any contractor or subcontractor, nor insuring the contractors, subcontractors and/or applicant. By signing this application, the applicant, also certifies that he/she is the owner of record and agrees to comply with all the rules and regulations of the City of St. Ann, Missouri.

Signature of Property Owner

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public

SEWER LATERAL REPAIR APPLICATION

(To be completed by property owner)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY WHERE DEFECTIVE LATERAL SEWER LINE IS LOCATED

(if different from owner's address):

TELEPHONE NUMBER OF OWNER: _____

NATURE OF PROBLEM: _____

CONTRACTOR: _____

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF THE
PAID REAL ESTATE TAX BILL, FOR THE PROPERTY AND A
CURRENT OCCUPANCY PERMIT.**

Signature of Property Owner

VENDOR LIST

This list is provided as a service for your convenience and does not constitute an endorsement by the City of St. Ann for any potential vendor.

You are responsible for making arrangements directly with the vendors. Any agreement entered into is a contract between you and the vendor, and does not include the City of St. Ann.

Biondo Hauling & Sewer
508 Rue St. Antoine
Florissant, MO 63031
(314) 838-5841

Cordia-Reich Plumbing
1420 South Big Bend Blvd.
St. Louis, MO
(314) 781-6241

Drain Masters
4517 Towne Court
St. Charles, MO
(636) 936-0033

Plumbing Plus
4484 Roadside Lane
St. Louis, MO
(314) 822-5251

Raeker Plumbing
9651 Lackland Road
Overland, MO 63114
(314) 429-0896

Sutter Plumbing
2436 Woodson Road
Overland, MO 63114
(314) 427-0020

Tope Plumbing
8825 Natural Bridge Road
St. Louis, MO
(314) 352-1586

RESIDENTIAL SEWER LATERAL REPAIR PROGRAM CHECK LIST

	Yes	No	Do Not Know
Completed Application Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of Paid Real Estate Bill for the property	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of Paid receipt for 15% from the contractor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of Occupancy Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lien waiver/Release from the contractor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copies of ALL bids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completed permit from St. Louis County Plumbing Department	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the sewer lateral line backup occur only during rainfall?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has MSD televised main sewer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a plumber cabled the sewer lateral line? If yes, name of Plumber: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has a Plumber televised the sewer lateral line?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is video of sewer lateral line available to the City?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has there been any other work on this lateral?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CITY OFFICIAL TO FILL OUT BELOW	Yes	No	
Has Sewer Lateral fees been paid for most recent year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Videotape provided?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dye test provided?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Proof of Occupancy Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Date: _____

Owner: _____

Project #: _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____

PROPERTY OWNER: _____

BUSINESS NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

Camera test paid to Property Owner _____

Total amount of repairs _____

15% Paid by Property Owner _____

85% of remaining amount _____

Total Amount Due to Contractor _____

By signing this release for payment, the applicant agrees that the City of St. Ann, Missouri is not responsible for any actions taken by the contractor or subcontractor who has been hired by the property owner and that the City of St. Ann, Missouri is not liable for any damage or liability incurred by either the contractors, subcontractor and/or property owner. By signing this release, the contractor certifies that he/she is the owner of record for the above named Business and that all corrective work has been completed.

Signature of Property Owner

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public