

1. Do we really need to affirm since the district already has Ordinance 2019-02 - CAWD Sanitary Sewer Standard Plans & Specifications Volume I, Section 1.01 "INTRODUCTION", second paragraph, in place?

It isn't necessary to affirm what is already established by ordinance, but I felt some sort of resolution was necessary to clearly resolve the obfuscating arguments.

2. If so, would a title as follows be simpler: "A Resolution Affirming the District Engineer's Discretion to Develop Appropriate Special Conditions for New Connection Applications which do not Conform to the District's Standard Plans and Specifications for New Connections". It has the virtue of being 30 words instead of 47.

That would be acceptable.

3. Also, I would suggest revising the Ordinance in the last sentence of the second paragraph quoted in the BOD Packet to add at the beginning of the sentence: "*Special conditions, including*" more stringent requirements . . . .'

-ans in suggesting the change is that you may have special conditions imposed which are not more stringent, but could be. In this way, it would soften that the District is not out only to impose more stringent conditions if there are other feasible less stringent conditions which could do the job.

I don't think it is necessary to modify the Ordinance at this time.

4. Finally, in his letter dated October 31, 2024, Monterey Bay Engineers Mr. Steve Wilson mentioned on page 215 of the BOD Packet a scofflaw who added a bathroom to a garage presumably without a permit, and caused a sewage overflow.

-Seems to me that if this property was a pre-2014 grandfathered connected property, they should lose that status for the unlawful addition of the bathroom resulting in the sewer overflow, regardless of the immediate cause being a plastic check valve failure, and be required to submit a new application for a connection and submit to new conditions as if they were a post-214 connection.

-Draconian, but telegraphs to property owners that the District is serious about its Mission to treat wastewater and return clean water to the environment in order to protect the public health and the environment.

The example of the recent overflow illustrates how pressure connections carry much greater liability than standard gravity connections. CAWD ordinances do contain certain provisions for enforcement of violations. In the case of installing sewer lateral infrastructure without a permit we would likely just require that the work that was done without a permit be removed. I'm not sure we could require modifications to previously approved work.