

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-50

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 – UTILITIES,  
ARTICLE III SEWER SERVICE DIVISION I. SECTION 78-96. – DEFINITIONS,  
BY THE ADDITION OF LANGUAGE TO THE DEFINITION OF  
“COMMERCIAL USERS” AND AMENDING SECTION 78-107 – WASTEWATER  
SAMPLING BY THE ADDITIONS OF SUBSECTIONS a., b., c., and d.**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to monitor commercial users involved in a commercial enterprise of operating a Centralized Wastewater Treatment Facility within the Town of Griffith; and

**WHEREAS**, such monitoring will provide information and data that will ensure that such businesses comply with the Town of Griffith’s Sewer Service Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, that Article III of Griffith’s Sewer Ordinance shall hereinafter be amended as follows:

Section 78-96 Definitions:

Commercial user, sometimes referred to as a centralized wastewater treatment facility, shall mean any establishment involved in a commercial enterprise (for-profit or not-for-profit), business, or service which, based on a determination by the Town, discharges substances, whether trucked in or not, into the Town of Griffith sanitary sewage system.

Section 78-107 Wastewater Sampling shall be amended by the addition of new Subsections a., b., c., d.

a. Any business involved in the operation of a centralized wastewater treatment facility shall be required, at its expense, to employ a regional firm approved by the Town of Griffith to provide an onsite full-time, state-certified wastewater treatment operator, whenever the business is operating, to monitor the facility, plant, or company for compliance with the Town of Griffith ordinances and Hammond Sanitary District’s ordinances adopted by reference. The Town of Griffith shall provide said certified operator with a job description and shall receive copies of all reports and analyses generated by the operator..

b. The activities of the operator shall be conducted on the business premises with or without a representative of the owner or operator being present.

c. Said business shall, at its expense, install in a 48-inch manhole a single discharge pipe installed on or within the Town’s right-of-way easement.

d. Said business, at its own expense, shall install a sampling meter within said manhole. Said manhole shall be secured with only the Town of Griffith’s representatives and the monitoring engineer having access.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that if any part or parts of this Ordinance is for any reason declared unconstitutional or invalid, the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and posting in accordance with IC 36-5-2-10.

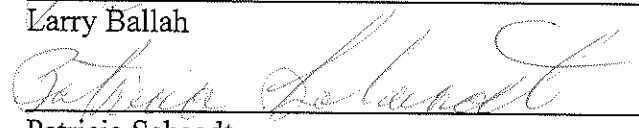
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council for the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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