

ORDINANCE NO. 349

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE REGULATING THE CONSTRUCTION OF
SANITARY SEWERS IN THE BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Borough of Monroeville in Council assembled and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same.

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Sanitary Sewer Construction Code".

SECTION 2. Scope. This Ordinance shall apply only to sanitary sewers which are not owned, operated or maintained by the Borough of Monroeville but which are connected either directly or indirectly into the sanitary sewer system of the Borough of Monroeville. It shall further apply to all building or house sewers as further defined in this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. Definitions.

1. Building or House Sewer: That part of the horizontal pipe which begins at the outside wall of a building and extends and connects to a public sewer, septic tank or other disposal terminal conveying sanitary sewer effluent therefrom.

2. Sewer Inspector: The Sewer Inspector shall be the Building Inspector of the Borough of Monroeville and shall further include any person employed by the Borough as an assistant under his supervision.

3. Person. The term Person shall mean and include any individual, firm partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

4. Borough. The term Borough shall mean the Borough of Monroeville, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

SECTION 4. Rain and Surface Water Connections. Roof leaders, surface drains or ground water drains shall not be connected to the sanitary sewer either within or without a building.

SECTION 5. Independent System. Each building or house sewer shall be independent of that of any other building, provided, however, that where one building stands in the rear of another building located on the same lot and considered by the Sewer Inspector as a single unit of occupancy (such as a house and garage) the sewers from the two buildings may be connected together and treated and considered as one building or house sewer.

SECTION 6. Connection to Public Sewer. No connection shall be made or permitted to any public sewer owned, operated or maintained by the Borough of Monroeville without prior approval and issuance of written permit by the Sewer Inspector. Each connection shall be made only at the point designated by the Sewer Inspector.

SECTION 7. Cleanout Connections. Connections for cleaning and rodding sewer lines shall be placed in buildings or houses in such manner as to be readily available for use.

SECTION 8. Specifications.

(A) Pipe. All building or house sewers shall be constructed of either vitrified glazed clay sewer pipe conforming to the American Society of Testing Materials Standard Specifications for clay sewer pipe (Designation C-13) or extra heavy cast iron soil pipe conforming to American Society of Testing Materials Standard Specifications for cast iron soil pipe and fittings (Designation A-74). No other type of pipe may be used or substituted except upon certification of the Borough Engineer that the substitute requested is equal or superior in quality in all respects to the vitrified glazed clay sewer pipe described above and that it will further provide no hindrance to the efficient cleaning and maintenance of the sewer.

(B) Joints and Connections. All joints or sections of vitrified glazed clay sewer pipe as specified above shall be sealed according to American Society of Testing Materials Standard C425-5AT Plastic Joint according to the said Society's latest revisions and modifications.

Joints for extra heavy cast iron soil pipe shall be made by inserting rolled hemp or jute in the joint and thoroughly caulking it into place. The joint must be then sealed with pure molten lead will caulked not less than one (1) inch deep. No paint, varnish or putty shall be used on the joints until after the same have been tested.

(C) Size of Sewer. No house sewer shall be smaller than four (4) inches in interior diameter. No sewer for commercial or industrial building or multiple family dwelling shall be less than six (6) inches in interior diameter.

(D) Sewers of six (6) inches diameter or greater shall maintain a grade fall of not less than one-eighth ($1/8$) inch per foot. Sewers of less than six (6) inches in diameter shall maintain grade fall of not less than one-quarter ($1/4$) inch per foot.

(E) Trenching and Backfilling. All excavations shall be open trench work unless otherwise authorized by the Sewer Inspector for crossings of streams, highways or unusual terrain or where it would be otherwise impractical. The foundation in the trench shall be formed so as to prevent any subsequent settlement of the pipes. If the foundation is firm earth it shall be pared or molded to give full support to the lower quadrant in each section of pipe. Bell holes shall be dug to provide ample space for the bells. Care must be exercised in backfilling below the center of the pipe in order to give it proper support. Backfilling shall be placed in layers and solidly tamped or packed up to two (2) feet above the pipe. Backfilling shall not be commenced until final inspection and approval by the Sewer Inspector.

SECTION 9. Inspection. The Sewer Inspector may require existing sewers to be excavated for the purpose of facilitating inspection where he had reasonable cause to believe the same may be operating inadequately or below the standards of this Ordinance or if he has reasonable cause to believe that unlawful matter is being permitted to drain into the building or house sewer.

SECTION 10. No cesspool or septic tank shall be connected to any portion of a building or house sewer that is further connected to the public sewer system.

SECTION 11. Permits. No building or house sewer shall be built, repaired or reconstructed within the Borough without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Sewer Inspector for a fee of One (\$1.00) Dollar, provided, however, that no separate permit shall be required where the building or reconstruction of the said sewer is part of a larger building project for which a permit is obtained.

Nothing herein contained, however, shall in any way effect the existing Ordinances of the Borough requiring permits and inspection fees for tapping or connecting into the Municipal Sewer System.

SECTION 12. Penalty. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall upon summary conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace with proper jurisdiction be fined a sum not exceeding One Hundred (\$100) Dollars or in default of payment thereof be imprisoned for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense and may be punishable as such.

SECTION 13. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 14. Any Ordinance or part of Ordinance conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 24th day of May, 1962.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

S/ A. H. Curtis
Secretary

By S/ A. O. Strathern
President of Council

EXAMINED and APPROVED by me this 24 day of May 1962.

S/ John J. Duncan
Mayor