

Sewer Lateral Replacement

OPTION ONE:

Work within Right-of-Way done by Private Contractor

Private contractor installs the sewer lateral from the sewer main in the City right-of-way or easement to the property line. City crew shall be on-site for sewer lateral connection into the sewer main.

1. What to do for Sewer Lateral:

Hire a private contractor and obtain a Construction Permit (form 5515) from the Land Development Division, Permits Section (619) 691-5272 for work to be done by private contractor in City right-of-way or easement.

Submit all forms, drawings, documents, Request for Initial Inspection or Approval to Commence Work (form 5512), and Traffic Control Plan (form 5515) for review and approval. Provide bond, certificate of insurance, and show proof of current contractor's license.

Pay the following fees: Construction Permit application fee, Inspection fee, Traffic Control Plan fee, and Utility/Sewer Permit fee. Obtain a Utility/Sewer Permit (form 4569) for connection with the building installation within the private property.

2. What to do for Connection with the Building

Obtain and pay fee for Utility Permit (form 4569) from the Building Division for sewer lateral installation within the private property. The private contractor will install the sewer lateral from the property line to the structure.

Construction for work within the City right-of-way shall be scheduled in accordance with work on private property with City crew on-site for sewer lateral connection into the main.

OPTION TWO:

Work within Right-of-Way done by the City

The City installs the sewer lateral within the right-of-way or easement from the sewer main to the property line. Private contractor installs the connection with the building within the private property from the property line to the structure.

1. What to do for the sewer lateral:

Call (619) 691-5024 for a sewer connection cost estimate for sewer lateral installation and tapping into sewer main.

2. What to do for a connection with the building

Obtain and pay fee for a Utility Permit (form 4569) from the Building Division for sewer lateral installation within the private property. The private contractor will install the sewer lateral from the property line to the structure. The City work will then be scheduled.



DO

Collect grease in a container and throw it in the trash.

Place strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps.

Place all solid waste in trash.

DON'T

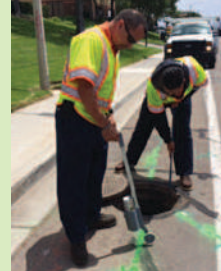
Don't pour grease down the drain.

Don't flush prohibited products down the toilet; they may cause a blockage. For information on prohibited products, please visit chulavistaca.gov/goto/WastewaterEngineering

Don't use the sewer to dispose food scraps.

Don't plant trees or other deep-rooted vegetation near or on top of your sewer lateral.

Keep your sanitary sewer working properly.



Sewer Lateral Maintenance



In Case of an Emergency

Call (619) 397-6000 (during business hours)

BUSINESS HOURS:

Monday - Thursday
6:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday **CLOSED** every other Friday
6:30 am - 3 p.m.

AFTER HOURS:

Please contact the Chula Vista Police Dispatch at (619) 691-5151. Your message will be forwarded.

Please see website for schedule of closures: www.chulavistaca.gov



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Frequently Asked Questions

Q Why is it important to properly maintain a sewer lateral?

A: As private laterals age, they can become clogged by fats, oils, grease, and grease build up. In addition, roots from trees and other vegetation can enter the private lateral through cracks or other pipe deficiencies. Routine maintenance can increase their useful life and avoid premature and costly replacement or repair.

Q Sewage is backing up in my house. What should I do?

A: In the event of a sewer backup on your property, shut off all water sources including faucets, the dishwasher and the clothes washer. In the event water/discharge continues to back into your house, contact Public Works or the afterhours emergency telephone number immediately. If the water/sewage stops when all water sources are turned off, contact a licensed plumber or sewer cleaning contractor.

Q What are the leading causes of sewer backups?

A: Most often a sewer backup is caused by grease, roots and prohibited discharged materials such as disposable or cloth diapers, paper towels and hygiene products. These prohibited products do not deteriorate quickly, as does the bathroom tissue. They become clogged in portions of the lateral/main, causing a sewer backup. These products should be disposed of in the trash.

Q What steps should a property owner take to minimize problems with their sewer laterals?

A: Check the DOs and DON'Ts section of this brochure for tips on what a property owner can do to prevent a lateral from backing up as well prevent backups in the City mains. For instance, you may think that washing grease down the drain with hot water is a harmless and easy way to dispose of it. However, the grease goes down the drain, cools off, and solidifies either in the drain, the property owner's line or in the main sewer. When this happens, the line constricts and eventually clogs.

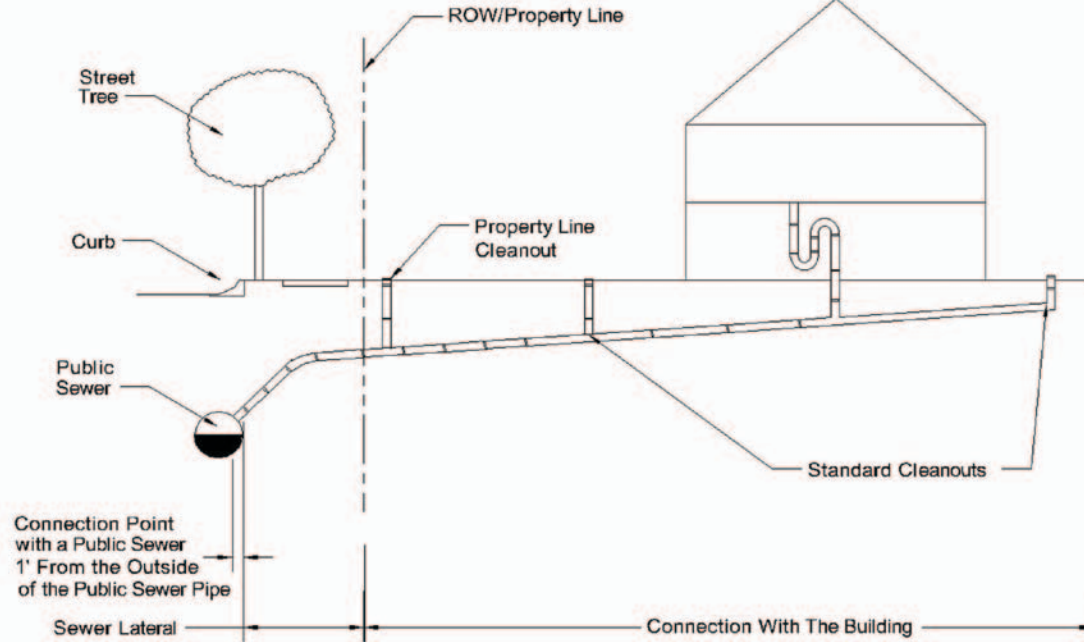
Q How do I know if my sewer lateral needs repair?

A: A licensed plumber can determine the condition of your lateral by performing a Closed Circuit Television Video (CCTV) inspection.

➔ What is a Sewer Lateral?

A Sewer lateral is a four-inch, six-inch or eight-inch diameter, privately maintained sewer pipe constructed from its Connection Point with a Public Sewer across public property to the boundary of such public property so as to provide sewer service to building(s) or structure(s) situated upon an individual parcel or record. (MC 13.04.010 T)

Exhibit A



Definitions

Connection with the Building - A four-inch, six-inch or eight-inch diameter sewer pipe constructed from the boundary of public property, easement or right of way to the point where the sewer enters the building it serves.

Connection Point with a Public Sewer - That portion of the sewer lateral that extends one foot from the outside of the public sewer.

Public Sewer - Sewer owned and operated by the City which connects to treatment or reclamation facilities operated or utilized by the City (MC 13.04.010 P)

Property Line Cleanout - Privately maintained cleanout located on private property adjacent to (normally within 2-3 feet) a property line that serves as maintenance access to the sewer lateral.

Maintenance - The cleaning, servicing, repairing and/or replacing.

Street Tree - Tree, bush or any type of plant that is located within the public right of way, belonging to the City.

Preventing Future Problems

Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG)

When FOG is poured down the kitchen drains, it can begin to build up in your sewer pipes and cause restriction in the flow. Eventually, these restrictions result in unwanted and potentially damaging back-ups of untreated sewage into your home. The expense of cleaning up a sewer back-up results in increased costs for residents, business owners, and the City.

Sewer overflows could be damaging to our environment as well. Eliminating FOG in the sanitary sewer system is a great way to help protect the water supply in your community.

