

ORDINANCE 2024-22

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT AND RE-ENACT CITY OF BAKER CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 22, SECTION 10, Concerning Sewerage, Water and Gas Supply and to provide for Other Matters regarding the same.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL of the City of Baker, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in regular session assembled, a proper quorum being there and then assembled on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024, as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 1:

City of Baker Code of Ordinances Chapter 22, Section 10 shall be Amended, Supplemented and Re-Enacted to read as follows:

“Sec. 22-10. Sewerage, Water and Gas Supply.

The subdivision developer shall be responsible for providing sanitary sewer, storm drains, water and, gas for the subdivision, at the subdivider's expense;

(a) The subdivision developer shall be responsible for providing sewers for the subdivision from the nearest public sewer collection line available, at the subdivider's expense; minimum sewer collection line size in the subdivision itself, shall be eight inches in diameter, and the minimum size line from the subdivision to the public collection line shall be eight inches in diameter, but if the City Engineer requires larger diameter pipe, then the subdivision developer shall be responsible for the additional expenses incurred for the larger diameter pipe. The type of sewer pipe to be used by the subdivider shall be ASTM D3034 SDR35 pipe or its equivalent. Further, the subdivision developer must provide written approval of the subdivision development from the Department of Public Works of the Parish or the then existing sewer district, the approval being based on a capacity analysis of the then existing sewer systems.

(b) Connection to public sanitary sewer.

(1) When a subdivision is located in an existing sewer district where a public sanitary sewer is accessible, the subdivider shall connect with such sanitary sewer and provide adequate sewer lines to the property line of each lot.

(2) When a subdivision is partially located within an existing sewer district where a public sanitary sewer is accessible, the regulations of subsection (b)(1) of this section shall govern that portion of the subdivision lying within the sewer district.

(3) Inspection and approval. Sewer connections, subdivision sewer systems, and sewage disposal systems and devices shall be approved by the parish health unit, the commission and the city council, or its authorized representative. The installation of such sewer connections, subdivision sewer systems, and sewage disposal systems and devices shall be inspected and approved by the parish health unit and/or the authorized representative of the city council, and such connections, systems and devices shall meet the requirements of the state division of health.

(c) Water supply. The subdivider shall connect a properly designated system of water distribution lines to the Baker Water Supply System, which lines shall be a minimum of eight inches in diameter, but if the City Engineer requires larger diameter pipe, then the subdivision developer shall be responsible for the additional expenses incurred for the larger diameter pipe. The type of pipe to be used for water lines shall be PVC and shall be C900 or the equivalent. All water service lines shall be at least 18 inches below

the surface at the property lines. Water service lines from the water main to the meter shall be at least one inch in diameter.

Such water distribution lines shall provide an adequate amount of water for both domestic and firefighting purposes, as recommended by the National Fire Protection Association. The construction shall be under the supervision of the city council or its authorized representative, who shall report his findings and recommendations to the planning and zoning commission.

Hydrant Spacing. Spacing between hydrants shall be established by the Department of Public Works in consultation with the Fire Department.

Such system of water distribution lines shall be approved by the parish health unit before the planning and zoning commission approves the final plat. The subdivider shall install fire hydrants in accordance with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association, and said fire hydrants shall be 4.5-inch double steamer fire hydrants.

(d). Gas supply. The subdivider shall connect a properly designated system of gas distribution lines to the Baker Gas Supply System, which lines shall be a minimum of two inches in diameter, but if the City Engineer requires larger diameter pipe, then the subdivision developer shall be responsible for the additional expenses incurred for the larger diameter pipe.. The type of pipe to be used for gas lines shall be polyethylene and shall be ASTM2513 or the equivalent. All gas service lines shall be at least 12 inches below the surface at the meter and 18 inches below the surface at the property line to conform with the Department of Transportation rules and regulations. All risers from the gas service line to the meter shall be a minimum of one inch in diameter. Gas service lines from the main to the meter shall be at least five-eighths inch in diameter.

The right to upgrade any or all of these requirements is reserved to the City Department of Public Works.

4. Gas and Water Mains. Main lines for gas and water service must be run along one or both sides of each street in the subdivision, so that: all lots shall be provided with both water and gas service lines service lines can be connected to each individual lot during and after primary construction; optionally, lines for gas and water service may be run along one side of a street in the subdivision, where service lines must be run from the main line to each lot on both sides of the street"

## **SECTION 2:**

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith and the same are hereby Repealed.

All Ordinances not in conflict herewith and not affected by the amendment hereinabove set forth are hereby maintained in full force and effect as if re-enacted herein.

The Repeal of an Ordinance shall not affect any punishment or penalty incurred before the repeal took effect, or any suit, prosecution or proceedings pending at the time of the repeal, for an offense committed under the ordinance repealed.

### **SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrases, clauses, sentence, paragraph or section. If the provisions of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, fact, situation or circumstance are held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application of such provisions to the other persons, facts, situations or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

### **SECTION 4: INVALIDATION**

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications and, to that end, any and all provisions of this ordinance and applications thereof are declared to be severable.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Collins, Dunn, Murphy, Vincent, Young  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

And the Ordinance was presented September 24, 2024, at the regular meeting of the Baker City Council held at the City Hall Building in Baker, Louisiana.

And the Ordinance was declared adopted on this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024 at the regular meeting of the Baker City Council held at the Baker City Hall Building in Baker, Louisiana.

ATTEST:

/s/Angela Canady Wall, LCMC, Clerk of Council

/s/Darnell Waites, Mayor