ORDINANCE 75-52

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10.04 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED, "SEWERS"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. That Section 10.04.010 of the Bloomington Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

10.04.010 Abatement of Septic Systems—Purpose. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide an orderly procedure for ending the use of septic systems, cesspools, or privys for waste disposal where adequate sanitary sewer service is available.

SECTION 2. That there be added certain sections to Chapter

10.04 of the Bloomington Municipal Code to read as follows:

10.04.011 Date for Connecting to Sewer and Ending Septic Systems. From and after May 1, 1977, every home or structure located on a lot or tract the property line of which is within 300 feet of a sanitary sewer main owned and operated by the City, shall have its sanitary waste system connected to and discharging into that City sewer. The continued use in such cases of a septic system, cesspool or privy shall be unlawful.

10.04.012 Notice to Connect. In the event the owner of a non-connected property shall fail to connect the sewage disposal system by the effective date, the Utility Service Board shall cause notice to comply to be mailed by certified mail to the property owner at the mailing address of the structure stating that within 90 days of the notice the connection must be made and specifying the consequences of failure to connect.

10.04.013 Charges for Connection and Compliance with Standards. No additional charge shall be made for connection brought about by the enactment of this Ordinance; however, any charge created by agreement or contract between the City and the users of a local collection system shall be enforced and the connection shall be constructed in accordance with all existing ordinances and regulations.

10.04.014 Penalty for Failure to Comply. Any owner of property who fails to connect within 90 days of the effective date of the notice shall be in violation of this ordinance and may be fined any amount up to \$500.00 and charged a penalty of \$5.00 per day for each day of non-compliance.

10.04.015 Enforcement by Court Action. The Utility Service Board shall apply to the Monroe Circuit or Superior Court for an order to force the connection and for the assessment of the costs of the action and reasonable attorney fees against the property owner.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor.

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