

**Motions and Rationale Statements Concerning Proposed Wastewater Pump Station  
Application Request – Sanctuary at Southgate Phase II**

**TO APPROVE THE PUMP STATION APPLICATION REQUEST**

**Motion**

(i) Approve the application request concerning the Sanctuary at Southgate Phase II development for a new wastewater pump station, as such pump station solution is set forth in the application associated with the request, in accordance with Section 34-336(b)(1) of the Union County Code; and (ii) adopt the utility-based rationale statement for approval.

**Utility Based Rationale Statement**

In managing Union County's water and wastewater utility, it is the responsibility of the Union County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") to determine the particular needs of the utility at the current time in making decisions concerning the utility. The Board should take into account and weigh numerous operational, financial, and other utility-based reasons to make decisions which the Board determines are reasonable, in the public interest, and rationally based on the best interest of the operation of the utility. Pursuant to Section 34-336(b)(1) of the Union County Code, the Board does hereby find and determine that approval of the new pump station application request is reasonable, in the public interest, and is rationally based on the best interest of the operation of the utility, based upon following utility-based rationale:

1. Construction of the requested solution will result in a new pump station, which should be maintained with less likelihood for the need for major rehabilitation or replacement projects in the near future; whereas, a gravity line directly serving this property without a new pump station would require capacity improvements at two older, existing pump stations. Thus, the requested solution requires only one new pump station and does not require improvements to multiple existing, costlier to maintain, pump stations.
2. The projected life cycle costs for the new pump station solution are less than the projected life cycle costs for an alternative solution involving a gravity line with improvements to two existing pump stations (before considering any contribution to reduce costs).
3. The proposed development is ultimately served by the same larger pump station (Poplin Road) and treatment plant (12-Mile Creek) as a potential alternative for public sewer service.

## **TO DENY THE PUMP STATION APPLICATION REQUEST**

### **Motion**

(i) Deny the application request concerning the Sanctuary at Southgate Phase II development for a new wastewater pump station, as such pump station solution is set forth in the application associated with the request, in accordance with Section 34-336(b)(1) of the Union County Code; and (ii) adopt the utility-based rationale statement for denial.

### **Utility-Based Rationale Statement**

In managing Union County's water and wastewater utility, it is the responsibility of the Union County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") to determine the particular needs of the utility at the current time in making decisions concerning the utility. The Board should take into account and weigh numerous operational, financial, and other utility-based reasons to make decisions which the Board determines are reasonable, in the public interest, and rationally based on the best interest of the operation of the utility. Pursuant to Section 34-336(b)(1) of the Union County Code, the Board does hereby find and determine that denial of the new pump station application request is reasonable, in the public interest, and is rationally based on the best interest of the operation of the utility, based upon following utility-based rationale:

1. The new pump station solution will require significant investment over time in a pump station, as well as any future replacements, which primarily serves one development, without the opportunity for significant revenue from other customer connections which would assist in offsetting such long-term costs.
2. Compared to a solution with improvements to two additional pump stations, the new pump station solution does not allow for as many improvements that would benefit the entire utility system.