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947.21 REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR RESIDENTIAL WATER RUN-OFF
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

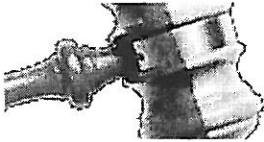
(a) There is hereby created a revolving loan fund for making limited purpose loans to reimburse owners of eligible residential property within the City. The funds shall be budgeted and established from the City's Sanitary Sewer revenues and shall be in the maximum amount of \$50,000.00 annually, or in such amount otherwise established by Council. The fund shall be used exclusively for the following purposes:

- (1) To assist such owners in the making of improvements and corrections in the gutters, downspouts and dwelling drainage facilities on their premises, in order to reduce the inflow of water run-off from such residential premises into the City sanitary sewer system and thereby to assist in the control and reduction of wastewater volume required to be treated by the City of Canton Water Pollution Control Center; or
- (2) To assist such owners in making improvements and corrections in their premises needed for the elimination of any sanitary sewer discharges from their premises either to the City storm sewer system or to water courses which are a part of or connected to streams or other waters of the State of Ohio.

(b) All loans made under this chapter shall be secured by a mortgage or lien against the real estate which is the subject of the improvements.

(c) The fund created by this chapter is to be administered and implemented by the Director of Public Service or his designee. Loans from said fund shall not exceed the amount of \$4,000.00 per loan recipient, shall be made without interest, shall provide for repayment over a period not to exceed five (5) years and shall be made solely for the specific purposes as stated and provided in this section. Rules, regulations and fees for the administration of the loan program as set forth in this section shall be promulgated by the Director of Public Service.

(Ord. 195-2004. Passed 9-27-04.)



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947.22 BACKWATER RESPONSE INITIATIVE PROGRAM.

(a) There is hereby created a "Backwater Response Initiative Program" ("BRI"), the purpose of which is to assist homeowners with chronic backwater flooding by providing for the installation of a backwater prevention valve under the terms and conditions set forth herein and further governed by the BRI Program policies.

(b) Eligibility for the benefits of the BRI Program shall be based upon submission of an application and the satisfaction of qualifying criteria as established by the Canton City Collection Systems Department (CSD).

(c) In order to qualify for the BRI Program, the following eligibility criteria shall be met:

(1) The applicant must have experienced at least three (3) documented backwater occurrences within the last five (5) years. Documentation may include insurance claims, claims filed with the City of Canton, or CSD Sewer Back-up work orders. CSD work order records shall be reviewed by the department to verify the cause of the backwater. The origin of the problem must not be due to any cause within the residential system or temporary structural impediments, such as a broken pipe or foreign objects.

(2) The CSD will verify the proper plumbing of the sanitary lateral to the sanitary system by performing a tracer dye test.

(3) The CSD will verify that the mainline sewer system is functioning properly. This includes televising the mainline system to verify that the flow is not impeded by roots, mineral deposits, debris or foreign objects.

(4) Any property located in an area of the City where the City Engineering Department has planned a system upgrade in the 18-month period subsequent to the application shall not be eligible.

(d) Approved applications will make the applicant eligible for 100 percent of the funds necessary to pay for the installation of the backwater valve, subject to availability of funds.

(e) The Canton City Collection Systems Department shall establish and administer policies governing the BRI Program on the following matters:

- (1) Program eligibility and target participation.
- (2) Installation and testing.
- (3) Approved materials.
- (4) Terms of payment and/or reimbursement.
- (5) Contractor eligibility.

(f) The funds for the BRI Program shall be in the initial amount of \$300,000.00 to be budgeted and established from the City's sanitary sewer funds

to accomplish the purposes stated herein. The initial funds shall come from a transfer of funds budgeted for the "Revolving Loan Fund" Program established by Section 947.21 and each year thereafter shall be budgeted directly from sanitary sewer funds.
(Ord. 195-2004. Passed 9-27-04.)