

## ORDINANCE 2026-11

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 86, SECTION 225 OF THE BELEVUE CITY CODE REGARDING PROTECTING THE CITY SEWER FROM FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (F.O.G.); AMENDING SUB-SECTION 86.225(a)(1) TO CLARIFY WHEN INTERCEPTORS ARE REQUIRED AND AMENDING 86.225(a)(4) WITH UPDATED CALCULATION FACTORS FOR INTERCEPTOR SIZING AS PER FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 62-6.013(7)(d).; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 86 of the City Code provides for the City wastewater system; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission finds that it is in the public interest to amend Chapter 86-225(a)(1) and 86-225(a)(4) to clarify when interceptors are required and to update the interceptor sizing calculation factors; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Commission that Chapter 86, Sub-Section 86-225(a)(1) of the City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (1) Fats, oils, and grease (F.O.G.) interceptors required.
  - a. New Construction: Restaurants, cafes, coffee shops, smoothie and juice bars, lunch counters, take-outs, cafeterias, butcher shops, meat markets, food courts, bakeries, convenience stores, delicatessens, sub shops, bars, clubs, breweries, micro-breweries, cold dairy, frozen foodstuff, concession stands, sports arenas, commissary kitchens, hotel, motel, casinos, lounges, convention centers, hospitals, long term care facilities, factory, institutional, or school kitchens or other establishments that serve or prepare food where F.O.G. may be introduced to the sewer system shall install an outdoor F.O.G. gravity grease interceptor.
  - b. Retrofit of Existing Establishments: The Public Works Director may approve hydromechanical grease interceptors or automatic grease removal devices on a limited basis for facilities that:
    - i. Cannot install an outdoor gravity grease interceptor due to site constraints; or
    - ii. Do not cook or fry and have a 3-compartment sink rate for < 50 gallons per minute; or
    - iii. Can provide documented evidence of minimal F.O.G. generation such that a gravity grease interceptor is not required.

Approval shall be subject to review of the specific operations, fixtures, and anticipated discharge and may include conditions related to operation, maintenance, and monitoring. Approval may be revoked at any time if the

establishment discharges F.O.G. into the City's sewer system in a manner that causes or contributes to sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) or increased line maintenance by the City, which would then require that an out-door, in-ground interceptor be installed. Any change in operations—including, but not limited to, the addition of cooking, hot food preparation, or expanding food processing—shall require a reevaluation of grease interceptor requirements.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the City Commission that Chapter 86, Sub-Section 86-225(a)(4) of the City Code is hereby amended to update the calculation factors as follows:

Restaurants:  $(S) \times (GS) \times (HR/12) \times (LF)$  = effective capacity of grease interceptor in gallons

S = number of seats in the dining area

GS = gallons of wastewater per seat; use 25 gallons for ordinary restaurant, use 10 gallons for single service article restaurants.

HR = number of hours establishment is open

LF = loading factor: use 2.0 interstate highways, 1.5 other freeways, 1.25 recreational areas, 1.0 main highways, and 0.75 other roads.

Other type establishments with commercial kitchens:  $(M) \times (GM) \times (LF)$  = effective capacity of grease interceptor in gallons.

M = meals prepared per day

GM = gallons of wastewater per meal: use 5 gallons

LF = Loading Factor: use 1.00 with dishwashing and 0.75 without dishwashing.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are to the extent of such conflict repealed.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that it is the intention of the City Commission that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Belleview, Florida; that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intention; and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate designation.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION AND APPROVAL**

The above and foregoing ordinance was duly read and approved upon **First Reading** by a \_\_\_\_\_ vote of the City Commission of the City of Belleview, Florida, at a Regular Meeting held on May 5, 2026. Said Ordinance was duly read, passed, and adopted upon **Final Reading** by a \_\_\_\_\_ vote of the City Commission of the City of Belleview, Florida at a Public Hearing held on May 19, 2026.

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CHRISTINE DOBKOWSKI  
Mayor

Attest:

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LEZLI MERRITT  
City Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency for  
the use and Benefit of the City of Belleview Only:

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FREDERICK E. LANDT, III  
City Attorney

**CERTIFICATE OF ADVERTISING**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Ordinance was advertised for a Public Hearing on the county's publicly accessible website on May 8, 2026 in accordance with Florida Statutes.

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LEZLI MERRITT  
City Clerk