

HANCOCK COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 18

TITLE: FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SURFACE DRAINS IN THE VICINITY OF COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT TILE

18.1 PROPOSED WRITTEN PLAN

Prior to commencement of construction, the owners of property where any portion of the proposed surface drain would be located over a county drainage district tile must submit a written plan to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors for its review and approval.

18.2 PROPOSED HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL LOCATION

The plan must show both horizontal and vertical location of the proposed surface drain and its relationship to the county drainage district tile. Any expenses such as engineering, surveying and other administration expenses incurred by Hancock County for the investigation, issuance and administration of the application shall be paid by the applicant. If the application is approved, the Hancock County Board of Supervisors will issue a permit for construction.

18.3 NOTIFICATION

The landowner must notify the Hancock County Board of Supervisors when construction commences. The Board or its designee may inspect the site during construction. Additionally, the Board must be contacted upon completion of construction for the Board or its designee to make a final inspection of the project.

18.4 LOCATION RELATIVE TO COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT TILE

It will be the preference of Hancock County that no surface drains should be constructed directly over county drainage district tile.

18.5 MINIMUM ALLOWANCES

If it is necessary for a surface drain to cross county drainage district tile, a minimum of three (3) feet cover shall be maintained unless the Board of Supervisors approves an alternate cover depth with the landowner bearing the cost of replacing the county drainage district tile with: corrugated metal pipe or other approved material.

18.6 EXPENSE

The owner of the surface drain shall bear the expense of replacing or repairing damage to county drainage district tile caused at any time by the construction, maintenance, or existence of the surface drain.

18.7 TENANT(S) NOTIFICATION

All landowners shall inform their tenant(s) of this policy.

Adopted and passed by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors on this 31st day of December, 2001.

Signed by:

Dianne Dethmers Paca, Chair

Hancock County Board of Supervisors

Jerry J. Tlach, Member

Hancock County Board of Supervisors

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