

The Corporation of the City of Stratford Policy Manual

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Sanitary Service Subsidy Program During Reconstruction

Policy Statement:

On sanitary reconstruction projects, where a residential, commercial or industrial building presently exists and is not serviced from a sanitary sewer on the street, the City will install a sanitary **public drain connection** to property line at City cost to prevent the road from having to be dug up in the future.

On a sanitary reconstruction project, if a homeowner wishes to replace or rehabilitate (re-line) their sanitary **service lateral**, the City will contribute \$800 towards the cost of the work on private property, provided the owner completes the work within twelve (12) months of completion of the project, as determined by the Project Engineer.

On a sanitary reconstruction project, if a homeowner does not wish to replace their sanitary **service lateral** under the City's subsidy program, the City will install a new **public drain connection** to the property line, at City cost. Any future replacement or rehabilitation of the **private drain connection** will be solely at the homeowner's cost.

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to describe, in detail, the stipulations of the City of Stratford's Sanitary Service Subsidy Program during sanitary reconstruction projects.

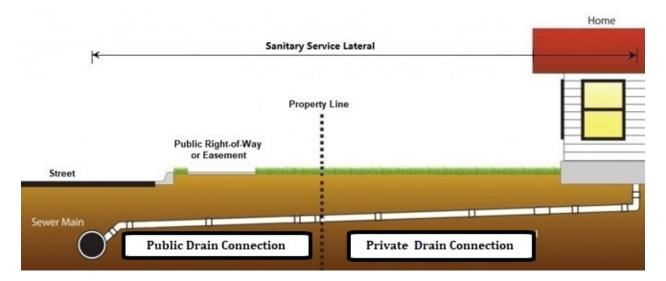
Definitions:

"Sanitary service lateral" ("service lateral") is composed of the public and private drain connections.

"Public drain connection" means the portion of the service lateral located within city property.

"Private drain connection" means the portion of the service lateral from the property line into the building.

Please refer to the image below for a visual description of the service lateral:



Scope:

Only residential properties are eligible for the subsidy program. Proof of residency may be required. Commercial, industrial, rental, and multi-use properties are not eligible. Residential properties that contain legal apartments (basement apartments for example) are no eligible for the subsidy program.

The City has the authority to deem projects ineligible for the subsidy program.

Legislative Authority:

Municipal Act, 2001

Related Documents:

- Policy S.1.8 Sanitary Service Subsidy Program General Requirements
- Policy S.1.10 Upgrade of Sanitary Service under the Subsidy Program
- Sewer Use By-law 65-70, as amended