

RESOLUTION NO. 05-10-2018-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE REVISED
UPPER SCOTTS RUN ROAD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT AND
AUTHORIZING ALL NECESSARY AND REQUIRED ACTION FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT AND THE ACQUISITION OF ALL
EASEMENTS AND ROAD CROSSING PERMITS AS WELL AS ANY AND ALL
OTHER NECESSARY STEPS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT AND
THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT OF ALL PROPERTIES SERVED BY THE
CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.**

WHEREAS, the Collier Township Municipal Authority is charged with the responsibility of providing, if possible and economically supportable, sanitary sewer service to areas within the Township of Collier currently serviced by on-lot septic systems; and,

WHEREAS, the Collier Township Municipal Authority hereby authorizes the updating of the design and the construction of the sanitary sewer project to be referred to as the Upper Scotts Run Sanitary Sewer Extension; and,

WHEREAS, the Collier Township Municipal Authority has reviewed the Upper Scotts Run area and has considered a number of possible projects which would generally consist of providing sanitary sewer connections to developed and undeveloped property located generally along the Southern side of Baldwin Road from Scotts Run Road to Ewing Road, North Westerly side of Fort Pitt Road from Ewing Road generally to or near 631 Fort Pitt Road, Northern side of Baldwin Road from Scotts Run Road to McMichael Road, McMichael Road from Baldwin Road generally to or near 188 McMichael Road, Burrell Drive, possibly Miller Drive and possibly the Southern side of Ridge Road between 651 Ridge Road and Freedom Drive; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority has now determined that it is required to divide this project area into four separate and individual parts and to determine, at a future time, which part or parts, if any, are to be separately considered for construction. The Authority has determined that there is land owner resistance and opposition to the construction of sanitary sewers through individual properties and landowners have not provided necessary and required right of ways through

various properties, thus making the project in one or more areas not possible or feasible for consideration at this time.

Accordingly, the possible areas to be considered for construction are generally defined as follows:

UPPER SCOTTS RUN PHASE A:

This area is generally defined as a line extending from a point of an existing collection line at or near the line previously constructed by the Authority as part of the Baldwin Road East Extension and then proceeding generally in the valley area adjacent to Baldwin Road and continuing to and along a portion of McMichael Road where the line terminates. This section, if later approved by separate motion of the Authority, will serve existing residential dwellings and some vacant parcels of land.

UPPER SCOTTS RUN PHASE B:

This area is generally defined as a line connection to the Centennial Point Pump Station and then crossing Baldwin Road for a distance then entering the valley area adjacent to Baldwin Road and extending to a point below Ridge Road. This section, if later approved by separate motion of the Authority, will serve existing residential dwellings and some vacant parcels of land.

UPPER SCOTTS RUN PHASE C:

This area is generally defined as a line extending from a previously privately constructed line which was then transferred to the Authority by Forza Collier to provide sanitary sewer service to the Forza Collier Plan of Lots and then generally continuing in the valley area along the line of Ridge Road to the Settlers Ridge Center with extensions to serve portions of Miller Drive and Summer Drive. This section, if later approved by separate motion of the Authority, will serve existing residential dwellings and some vacant parcels of land.

UPPER SCOTTS RUN PHASE D:

This area is generally defined as an area that could be serviced by a sanitary sewer line which would extend off of a line that would be constructed from a manhole located at the end of a line which would be constructed as part of Phase C where the line was extended to provide service to properties located in and along Burrell Drive and then would be extended to provide sanitary sewer connections to a portion of Settlers Cabin Business Park property and portions of Miller Drive and Ridge Road located adjacent to the Business Park. The Board has determined that it is currently not feasible or economically capable of currently considering construction of this Phase D.

The Authority, due to individual property owner's failure to provide the necessary easements for the future construction on one or more of the above listed project phases, has determined and directs that it will not authorize or approve the construction of this phase, the condemnation or taking on any easements/right-of ways for Phase D of this proposed project. Any property owner, in Phase D, desiring to develop their individual property may enter into individual development agreements with the Authority to construct all necessary line extensions to provide public sanitary sewer service to their property.

WHEREAS, these areas are currently served by on-lot septic systems that have reached the end of their life expectancy or are nearing the end of the on-lot system life expectancy; and,

WHEREAS, failed or failing septic tanks create a health hazard by the discharge of untreated sewage into the ground and the ground water within the said area.

NOW THEREFORE, the Collier Township Municipal Authority approves and directs the construction of the said project to be identified as follows:

1. The Upper Scotts Run Sanitary Sewer Extension project, if and when all three phases would be constructed, will generally consist of the construction of approximately 13,300 lineal feet of 8" and 10" diameter PVC sanitary sewer pipe, approximately 76 manholes, associated wye service connections and 6" diameter PVC service lateral stubs in the Ridge Road, Baldwin Road and McMichael Road areas of Collier Township.

2. The Authority Board and consultants are authorized and directed to revise and update the design of the sanitary sewer system, prepare necessary bidding documents for public bidding of the project, secure all necessary Highway Occupancy Permits and Road Opening Permits.

3. Acquire all necessary easements/right-of-ways for the construction of a public sewer system to serve the properties within the said watershed by and from each property owner agreeing to provide the easement/right-of-ways for the standard consideration offered to all property owners previously providing necessary easements/right-of ways.

4. Authorize the retention of real estate appraisers where the CTMA Board determines that it is absolutely necessary to authorize the filing of a Declaration of Taking for any required easement that has been required for any minor limited easement. Additionally, this Resolution authorizes the filing of a Petition before the Allegheny County Board of Viewers to have the Board of Viewers determine the benefit assessments to be assessed and charged against each property served and benefited by the said project and to take any and all other action for the completion of the project.

5. A full set of Plans identifying all the properties to be served will be available at the office of the Collier Township Municipal Authority.

6. All current property owners identified within the said Plans shall be notified by certified mail of the authorization for the construction of the project, the responsibility of the property owners upon completion of the project to disconnect from the on-lot systems and connect into the public system and notice of the fact that the project is a benefit assessment project where the benefits to the property are to be subject to an assessment amount determined by the Allegheny County Board of Viewers, said assessment being a one-time assessment that is in addition to the required tap-in application and fee procedure.

7. And, to take all necessary action to construct the Upper Scotts Run Road Sanitary Sewer Extension as a benefit assessment project of the Collier Township Municipal Authority, including the advertisement of this Resolution so as to provide public notice of the approval of the Upper Scotts Run Road Sanitary Sewer Extension to the general public.


8. This Resolution is being adopted to replace Resolution 10-12-2017-01 adopted by the Collier Township Municipal Authority on October 12, 2017 and which was repealed at a public meeting held on March 18, 2018 and to approve the revised plans for the construction of a sanitary sewer project in a revised and limited service area when further approved by Motion of Phases A, B or C as listed above and as shown on the project plans as prepared by NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc. for the Collier Township Municipal Authority.

Adopted by a unanimous vote of the Collier Township Municipal Authority Board members at a publicly held meeting on May 10, 2018.

Collier Township Municipal Authority



Dan Oberleitner, Chairman



Dan Fotovych, Secretary