



Town of Ashland

MASSACHUSETTS

§326-34 Temporary Moratorium on Connections to Public Sewer

§326 – 35 Purpose: This regulation is adopted pursuant to G.L. c. 83, § for the purpose of conserving the town’s limited available sewage disposal capacity in order to protect the public health and welfare and to safeguard proper operation of the sewerage system and the treatment and disposal works. The town has determined that the current sewer system lacks sufficient capacity to support any new extension or connections thereto.

§326 – 36 Applicability: Any and all extensions of and/or connections to the town’s municipal sewer system are hereby prohibited. No town board, commission, committee, official, or entity shall grant any permit or approval that would allow for the extension of or connection to the town’s municipal sewer system beyond that currently in existence. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Moratorium shall not apply to single family homes which are not a part of a subdivision or division of any lot after the Effective Date. For any project for which an application has already been received, and then for every application thereafter, connection permits shall be issued, if further restricted, in the order in which the application has been received.

§326 – 37 Extension and Connections “Duly Authorized” prior to the effective date of this regulation shall be permitted to be completed. “Duly Authorized” shall mean any construction pursuant to a validly issued building permit or Special Permit or validly executed Development Agreement entered into with the Board of Selectmen.

§326 – 38 Effective Date. This moratorium shall be effective upon the date of adoption by the Sewer Commission and shall be in effective until December 31, 2017 or until such date that the Sewer Commission votes that it shall be lifted, whichever is sooner.

§326 – 39 Severability: If any section of this regulation is ruled invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling will not affect the validity of the remainder of the regulation. or to act in any manner relating thereto.