## CITY OF GRAND FORKS

POLICY TITLE: Blockages in Private POLICY NO: 1204

Sewers

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## Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the City's involvement in cleaning private sewers.

## **Policy:**

- 1. It is the responsibility of the owner or occupant to have a qualified plumber, with a City of Grand Forks business licence for plumbing work, respond to all private sewer problems.
- 2. The owner is responsible for all costs for blockages and backups that occur within or below their property.
- 3. The owner is responsible for all costs for blockages and/or sanitary sewer backups caused by neglect of the owner or the occupant of the premises. This includes but is not limited to, blockages due to grease build up, blockages due to large materials being discharged into the sewer and any tree roots from within their property.