BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(7)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: November 21, 2006

TITLE: A Resolution Offering the Town's Consent in Adopting the Proposed Amendments to the OWASA Sewer Use Ordinance

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO X
ATTACHMENTS:	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
A. Resolution	D. Will Autry, 918-7326
B. OWASA Ordinance Packet	

PURPOSE

The Orange Water and Sewer Authority's Sewer Use Ordinance needs to be amended to comply with Federal and State regulations. State law requires that Orange County, Carrboro and Chapel Hill must be provided an opportunity to offer comments on the proposed changes to the Orange Water and Sewer Authority for their consideration prior to amending the ordinance. Staff has reviewed the draft ordinance and has no comments on the draft ordinance.

INFORMATION

The Orange Water and Sewer Authority's (OWASA) current Sewer Use Ordinance was adopted in 1995. Revisions are necessary to reflect current operating practices and comply with Federal and State regulations.

According to State law, the OWASA Board of Directors must pass a declaration of intent to adopt amendments at least 60 days prior to such amendments. The OWASA Board adopted such a declaration of intent on August 24, 2006. The town received a copy of the resolution, draft ordinance, and associated documents dated September 22, 2006, with a request that comments, if any, be provided to OWASA by December 1, 2006.

Staff has reviewed the draft ordinance and has no objections to the proposed amendments.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution.