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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & Council
From: Bob Basehart

Subject: Changes made to text of Chapter 9 (ENVIRONMENT), Article V (BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR LIVESTOCK WASTE AND FERTILIZER MANAGEMENT) at First Reading.

On August 9, 2022, Council held a public hearing and approved the entire revised Code of Ordinances on First Reading. At that hearing, testimony was given by staff and several members of the Equestrian Preserve Committee regarding certain provisions of proposed Chapter 9, Article V (Best Management Practices) and Council determined the language that will be used for each of the contested provisions. Staff has made the changes, as directed by Council, and has provided a clean copy of the entire chapter in the agenda package, along with the 23 other chapters.

The changes approved on First Reading and reflected in the clean copy of Chapter 9 are summarized below:

- **Sec. 9-38: Definitions** -
 - **Horse Wash Drainfield System:** *Definition has been eliminated, as recommended by EPC.*
 - **Livestock Facility:** *Staff recommended language chosen (very minor differences, no exclusion for exclusive pasture lands).*
- **Sec. 9-41: Best Management Practices for Livestock Waste** -
 - **First Paragraph:** *Retained staff language that requires manure bins to be water tight*
- **Sec. 9-41(A)(3)(d): Management of Livestock Waste** - *Retained staff language that makes 30% the threshold for substantial repair or redevelopment, consistent with provisions in the Building Code and LDR.*
- **Sec. 9-41(D)(4): Livestock Storage Area Maintenance** - *Clarified language to make it certain that required manure bin inspections will be once every two (2) years. Formerly was every year.*

- **Sec. 9-41(F)(1): Composting** - *Kept provision for Large Scale Composting. Requires copies of any permits from the State and copies of any reports to be submitted to Wellington.*
- **Sec. 9-42:** *Title changed to “Horse Wash Drainage”*
 - *Consolidated and modified language recommended by EPC into 2 subsections that track the FDACS manual.*