

## Ordinance 2009-70

**TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COUNTRY ROAD ESTATES AREA."**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Franklin, by Ordinance 1998-10, has annexed into the City some 32 acres, more or less, located east of Franklin Road and south of Moore's Lane, generally known as the Country Road Estates Subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 7-33-101 to 314, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City has determined that it would be in the best interest of the property owners residing in the annexed area and of the public generally to construct sanitary sewer improvements in the area hereinafter described and to assess a portion of the cost of the said improvements against the properties to be benefited;

**NOW THEREFORE:**

**SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The following sanitary sewer improvements shall be constructed:

**A public sanitary sewer system for the Country Road Subdivision Area located in public rights-of-way and easements consisting of gravity and low pressure sewer lines with all required appurtenances (such as manholes, air release valves, service connections to each property, etc.) for a fully operational system. Individual service lines within the properties, electrical & plumbing work, and the grinder pump assemblies shall be the responsibility of the individual property owners.**

2. The geographic limits of the properties to be benefited are as follows:

Map-Parcel	Acres
53-61.00	3.64
53-62.00	1.68
53-63.00	2.21
53-64.00	2.75
53-65.00	1.86
53-66.00	2.30
53-67.00	2.56
53-68.00	6.44

Commencing at the east right-of-way line of Franklin Road and the north right-of-way line of Country Road; thence east 400 feet along the north

right-of-way line of Country Road to the southwest corner of parcel 68.00, Map 53, all parcels being referenced to Tennessee State Board of Equalization Maps, as may be revised, which is also the point of beginning.

Thence north 355 feet along the west line of parcel 68.00 to the northwest corner of parcel 68.00; thence east 1,745 feet along the north lines of parcels 68.00, 67.00, 66.00 and 65.00 to the northeast corner of parcel 65.00; thence south 380 feet along the east line of parcel 65.00 to the southeast corner of parcel 65.00; thence west 90 feet along the south line of parcel 65.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 65.00; thence west 50 feet along the south line of parcel 65.00, if extended, to the northeast corner of parcel 64.00 which is also a point along the south right-of-way line of Country Road; thence south 210 feet along the east line of parcel 64.00 to the southeast corner of parcel 64.00; thence west 1,105 feet along the south lines of parcels 64.00, 63.00, and 62.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 62.00; thence west 50 feet along the south line of parcel 62.00, if extended, to the southeast corner of parcel 61.00; thence west 770 feet along the south line of parcel 61.00 to the southwest corner of parcel 61.00; thence north 200 feet along the west line of parcel 61.00 to the northwest corner of parcel 61.00; thence east 230 feet along the south right-of-way line to a point on the north line of parcel 61.00; thence north 50 feet along the west line of parcel 68.00, if extended, to the southwest corner of parcel 68.00, which is also the point of beginning, and containing 23.44 acres in parceled land.

Pursuant to T.C.A. §7-33-311, the Board may authorize additional properties to be benefitted by the improvements and make equitable provisions so that any later-added properties bear their proportional share of the costs of the improvements.

3. Based upon a preliminary estimate prepared by David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive, an engineer licensed by the State of Tennessee, the costs of the above improvements is estimated at \$112,000.00, which includes the total construction costs for those improvements directly associated with providing a sanitary sewer collection system for the Country Road Estates Subdivision. All improvements will be designed by, and construction supervised by, an engineer licensed by the State of Tennessee.

4. It is the intention of the Board that One Hundred percent (100%) of the City's cost for construction of the improvements shall be assessed against the benefitted properties listed in paragraph 2 and that improvement assessments shall be assessed annually against the benefitted property in the proportion that the assessed value of each lot or parcel bears to the whole assessed value of the benefitted properties, pursuant to T.C.A. §§7-33-310 to 314. The Board hereby pledges the full faith and credit of the

City to satisfy any deficiency in collections of assessments for the improvements.

5. The benefited property owners shall be allowed to pay off the total assessments authorized herein over a term of twenty (20) years. Improvement assessments shall be made annually by the Board when the levy of municipal property taxes is made and such assessments shall be due at the same time or times as the municipal property taxes are due, and shall be subject to the same penalties and interest, in the event of nonpayment, as are municipal property taxes. The Board may also permit benefitted property owners to pay in monthly installments. In the event any monthly payment shall be delinquent thirty (30) days after it is due and payable, and the whole balance of the improvement assessment shall then become delinquent and be subject to all penalties and interest as provided in this Ordinance.

6. An unpaid annual assessment, with penalty and interest, shall constitute a lien against the property, lot, or parcel against which it is assessed, shall attach as of the date the improvement assessment is made, and shall take precedence over all other liens, save those for state, county, and municipal property taxes, and any prior special assessments. Such liens shall otherwise have such priority and shall be enforceable as is provided in T.C.A. §7-33-314.

7. It is understood that the City is bound by the terms of this Ordinance as to the estimated cost of the project, however, the total cost assessed may exceed the estimate by up to 10%.

8. Once the proposed improvements are complete and accepted by the City, each benefitted property shall be notified of sanitary sewer availability by the City and shall be allowed to connect to such facilities, as provided in Section 18-204 (4), or as amended, of the Franklin Municipal Code, and thereafter the benefitted owner shall be billed monthly for sewer services at the City's prevailing Minimum bill. Upon connection to the sanitary sewer system the benefitted owner shall be billed a monthly sewer service charge as are all other customers of the sanitary sewer system of the City. Should the benefitted property not receive service from a public water system, the monthly sewer service charge shall be the City's Minimum Bill. The system development fee (SDF) and effluent disposal fee (EDF) shall be due at the time the connection is made (the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has waived the payment of the City's sewer access fee and the installation charge).

9. A public hearing shall be held on November 10, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. before the Board of

Mayor and Aldermen, at which time the benefited property owners may appear and be heard on the issue of whether the proposed improvements shall be undertaken as planned, or abandoned; whether the nature and scope of the improvements should be altered; and whether the improvements should be financed through the issuance of bonds on the "assessed value basis" as authorized by T.C.A. §§7-33-301 to 314.

10. Following the said public hearing, the Board shall confirm, amend or rescind this original Ordinance, as its final action pursuant to TCA §7-33-304. Such final action shall be the final determination of all issues presented, unless the owner of any property to be benefited files, within ten (10) days of such final action, a petition for certiorari in the Williamson County Circuit Court, to review such action.

**SECTION II: BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE,** that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage on second reading, the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens requiring it.

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE:**

By:   
**ERIC S STUCKEY**  
City Administrator/Recorder

By:   
**JOHN C. SCHROER**  
Mayor

**Approved As To Form By Shauna Billingsley, Interim City Attorney**

PASSED FIRST READING:

October 13, 2009

PUBLIC HEARING:

November 10, 2009

PASSED SECOND READING:

November 10, 2009

# Country Road Sewer Assessment Area

