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REGULATIONS FOR CONCRETE WORK WITHIN CITY STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY ORDINANCE AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

1. General specifications for concrete sidewalk work in City streets

The contractor shall contact the City of Austin Engineering Department, prior to pouring concrete, for an inspection. Call the Engineering office at 507-437-9950 to schedule an inspection. Please give approximately 4 hours notice prior to needing the inspection. We will also mark the removal limits with the contractor, if interested.

Pouring Times: The City of Austin does not allow any concrete to be poured within the City ROW prior to road restrictions being lifted in the spring, this usually occurs around mid-May. The City of Austin does not allow any concrete to be poured after frost has begun to develop in the sub-grade, this usually occurs around mid-November. These dates may vary slightly each year, contact the Engineering Department if you plan to do work early or late in the season to verify availability. All fly ash shall be removed from concrete poured after October 1st of each year. When air temperatures begin to fall, concrete shall be protected/covered in order to maintain a minimum of 40° surface temperature for 7 days, to allow for proper curing.

2. Concrete pavement, curb & gutter, indrives and sidewalks

Concrete Sidewalk

Concrete sidewalk shall be sawed full depth, with joints perpendicular to the road centerline. Any chipped edges or cracks shall be sawed back and removed. The base shall be graded flat with aggregate. Two ½" reinforcing bars, 12" long, shall be installed in the adjacent sidewalk panels. This will tie the new and old sidewalk sections together at the construction joint. Standard sidewalk shall be poured a minimum of 4" thick. Where sidewalk doubles as indrive, the sidewalk shall be a minimum of 6" thick.

Concrete Indrive

Concrete indrive shall be sawed full depth, in a square or rectangular shape. Any chipped edges or cracks shall be sawed back and removed. The base shall be graded flat with aggregate. The indrive shall be a minimum of 6" thick. A ½" expansion joint shall be placed at the back of the curb and sidewalk line. Maximum indrive width at the curb: Residential – 24', Commercial – 32'.

3. Restoration

Backfilling along sidewalks and behind curb & gutter shall be the contractor's responsibility. Backfill material shall be clean dirt topped with seed or sod. The backfill shall be compacted to prevent future settlement.