

CITY OF ROCHESTER RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT REGULATIONS

SMALL DIAMETER UTILITY SUPPLEMENTAL

1. Utility installations shall generally be in Utility Easements (UE) or in the Right of Way (ROW), in the boulevard. The UE is the default placement unless there are other infrastructure/utility conflicts, which might demand placement in the ROW.
2. Work on private property outside of a UE is prohibited. Placing equipment or utilities outside the UE is criminal trespassing.
3. A City of Rochester Permit cannot authorize work done on or crossing property owned by the US Government, State of Minnesota, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, County of Olmsted, or any Railroad. These properties require separate permits.
4. Hand holes, splice vaults, or other surface-level accoutrements shall not be placed in paved areas such as roadways, curb lines, sidewalks, trails, paved boulevards, driveways, or alleys.
5. Traffic control plans shall be submitted to the Public Works to be reviewed by the City Traffic Engineer for compliance with the Minnesota Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (Mn MUTCD). Requests for shifts or closures of sidewalks, trails, parking lanes, and driving lanes shall be submitted not less than 7 days before impacts. Separate obstruction permit is required with actual dates of work
6. All utility installations shall be trenchless anywhere turf is routinely maintained.
7. Punctured sewer pipes or damaged structures shall be repaired in complete sections, at the discretion of the City Engineer.
8. Damaged electrical lines shall be repaired or replaced at the discretion of Rochester Public Utilities.
9. Damaged trees or shrubs shall be replaced with a species/variety at the City Forester's discretion.
10. Tree protection required following City of Rochester Detail Plate 05-03.
11. Prior to placing concrete or bituminous materials for any roadway, sidewalk, or path, the applicant shall schedule an inspection of the aggregate base, forms, tie-in points, and other relevant components for any work done in the ROW to ensure compliance with City specifications. Failure to call for an inspection may result in the removal of the concrete or bituminous material at Applicant's cost until fully inspected. Inspections may be scheduled by calling 507-328-2400.
12. The applicant must also email pwpermits@rochestermn.gov or call 507-328-2400 once the utility work is finished and turf is fully restored, to schedule a final inspection.

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