

Chapter 16

**STREETS AND SIDEWALKS\***

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**\*Cross references**—Buildings and building regulations, ch. 4; mobile home parks, ch. 9; planning, ch. 14; vehicles and traffic, ch. 18.

**State law reference**—Municipal authority relative to streets and sidewalks, Vernon's Ann. Civ. St. art. 1175(16)–(18).



**Sec. 16-1. Washing vehicles on streets prohibited.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to wash any automobile, truck or other vehicle upon the streets, alleys or other public places within the city. It shall be unlawful for any person to wash any such vehicle in any place whereby the water is allowed to run upon the streets, alleys or other public places in the city.

(Ord. of 6-8-42(2), § 1)

**Cross reference**—Vehicles and traffic, ch. 18.

**Sec. 16-2. Obstruction of gutters, drains prohibited.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct in any way the gutters, water drainage ditches or other drainage systems of the streets, alleys and public ways in the city by throwing therein grass, weeds or any other kind of rubbish or materials which will in any way cause the water drainage ditches and gutters to become clogged or obstructed.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to use any gutter, drainage ditch or drainage system of the city except for the purpose of carrying off the natural surface water.

(Ord. of 6-8-42(1), §§ 1, 2)

**Sec. 16-3. Hauling heavy objects restricted.**

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person, whether as owner, agent or for themselves or for another, to haul articles of whatever character, such as gravel, rock, brick, houses, tractor engines, machinery or anything of sufficient weight or character as to likely cause unnecessary damage to the paving over the paved streets of the city.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall not cover houses which are placed on rollers of sufficient width as to not cause damage. Provided, however, that all persons desiring to cross the streets in the moving of any house or heavy material shall first secure a permit from the mayor or such other person as the city council shall designate.

(c) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offense and upon conviction in shall be fined in accordance with section 1-14.

(Ord. of 6-6-21)

**Sec. 16-4. Minimum requirements for construction of residential, subdivision and developmental project streets.**

(a) *Generally.* This section shall apply to those streets to be constructed in existing city boundaries and those streets to be annexed into the city. This section will not apply to rehabilitation of existing streets. Streets shall be curb and guttered, asphalt paved on crushed rock base on stabilized subgrade. Concrete streets are not permitted except by special application to the city council. Streets shall be a minimum of 28 feet in width measured from back of curb to back of curb. These are minimum specifications and any deviation from these specifications must be approved by the city council in writing prior to construction.

(b) *Construction specifications.* Construction specifications shall be as follows:

- (1) *Subgrade.* Subgrade shall be cut to proper line and grade, scarified to a minimum of six-inch depth and recompact to a minimum of 95 percent standard proctor density.
- (2) *Base course.* Base course shall be constructed of crushed limestone or crushed sandstone from a state highway department approved source. Base shall be a minimum of six-inch thickness with two inches minimum thickness under curb and gutter extending to one foot behind curb on each side of street. Base course shall be watered and compacted to a minimum of 95 percent standard proctor density.
- (3) *Curb and gutter.* Curb and gutter shall be a minimum of two feet in width with a back dimension of one foot, a six-inch high curb from the gutter line, and a catch of one inch from the street side to gutter flow line. Curb and gutter shall be true to line and grade. Curb and gutter shall have two no. 4 rebar equally spaced in gutter section, and expansion joints shall be placed at 70-foot intervals. Expansion joint shall be one-half-inch asphalt impregnated material. Concrete shall be five sacks cement per cubic yard. Grout shall be a minimum of six sacks cement per cubic yard.
- (4) *Prime coat.* Prime coat shall be applied to finished base course before paving is constructed. Prime shall be MC-30, applied at the rate of fifteen-hundredths gallon per square yard. Prime shall cure for not less than 24 hours before pavement is placed.
- (5) *Asphalt paving.* Asphalt paving mixture shall conform to state highway department item 340, type "D." Minimum thickness shall be 1½ inches. Paving shall be compacted to 95 percent standard proctor density and free from cracks and other irregularities, such as roller marks and depressions. In no case shall paving be less than 24 feet in width.
- (6) *Right-of-way.* The right-of-way for curb and gutter streets shall be a minimum of 50 feet, with right-of-way a minimum of ten feet back from back of curb to edge of right-of-way on each side of the street. Noncurb and gutter street must be approved and meet the general requirements of construction and shall be a minimum of 70 feet, with a minimum of 20 feet from the edge of paving on each side of the street. These minimum requirements for right-of-way shall not be waived or deviated from for any reason.
- (7) *General specifications and procedures.* The two inches of base under curb shall be installed before curb and gutter is placed. Curb and gutter shall be backfilled, and backfill compacted before additional base course is installed. All soil shall be removed from first base course before adding second base course. Additionally, all soil shall be removed from base material before paving is installed.
- (8) *Testing.* Testing is responsibility of developer, and city shall be notified when testing is to be performed, beforehand. A copy of test results shall be given to the city. A minimum of three density test per 1,000 feet of street, per each of subgrade and

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second base course, shall be performed. In no case shall there be less than three test taken, for each subgrade and second base course. Test on paving is city's option and may be required.

- (9) *Inspection.* Inspection shall be furnished by the city.  
(Ord. No. 01-06-87, 6-8-87)

