

## STREET EXCAVATION PERMIT PROCEDURE

## **GENERAL**

Final restoration of areas within the public right-of-way associated with Street Excavation Permits shall be completed as determined by the Operational Services Department at the expense of the Permittee. The City of Brantford shall apply the attached Schedule of Fees for such restorations.

#### PERMITEE RESPONSIBILITIES

In conformance with the City of Brantford Municipal Code, utility companies, contractors and any other agencies, companies, or individuals desiring to work within the public right-of-way shall:

- A. Apply for a Street Excavation Permit, and provide the required up-to-date information:
  - Proof of Commercial General Liability Insurance (minimum amount of \$2 million per person, per occurrence) "Corporation of the City of Brantford" must be included as Additional Insured on this policy. Evidence of this policy must be provided in the form of a Certificate of Insurance;
  - A security deposit in the minimum amount of \$2,000.00 (an additional amount may be requested by the General Manager of the Public Works Commission) – may be made by cash deposit, certified cheque, credit card or bond.
- B. At least 10 business days prior to the intended commencement of work, the permittee must apply for a Street Excavation Permit (see form attached). The Permittee must supply an appropriate sketch or plan showing all of the pertinent data as to the location, purpose, height, depth, width, length, etc.;
- C. The Permittee must provide notice to all property occupants of the pending construction activity and include all daytime and after hours contractor contact information. A copy of this notification must be included with the permit application.



- D. All water, sanitary and storm service construction must follow the procedure outlined in the section entitled "Arranging for Water and Sanitary and Storm Sewer Lateral Inspections" on Page 5-6 of this procedure. The application and permit fees for sanitary and storm laterals can be found by visiting the City of Brantford website or by contacting Customer Service at 519-759-4150.
- E. Pay the appropriate fees according to the attached fee schedule. The fees are due "Upon Receipt" of the invoice for the specified job (see Billings and Measurements section). Failure to pay these fees may result in a claim against the security deposit..
- F. Upon the issuance of a Street Excavation Permit, the Permittee undertaking the Street excavation shall co-ordinate activities with the Supervisor of Operational Services..
- G. For the exception of emergencies, the Contractor shall provide at least an extra half days' notice as to the expected time of completion of the work. This allows for an adequate timeframe for the completion of the restoration of the road surface with minimal delay to protect the safety of the public;
- H. The Permittee shall be fully responsible for temporary restorations, ensuring that the material excavated is restored, for hard surface cold patch is to be used throughout the year. . Hot mix asphalt is an approved alternative to cold patch in accordance with the Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications (O.P.S.S.). Any inspection carried out by the Supervisor of Operational Services is to assist the Permittee only and shall not be construed as relieving the Permittee from any obligation for proper compaction and restoration. Where settlement occurs subsequent to final restoration of the surface asphalt, the Permittee will be advised stating that the Operational Services Department of the City of Brantford will be re-excavating and properly restoring the work at their (Permitee) expense. In addition, the Permittee will be solely responsible for any third party claims that may result from any such deficiencies, for a period of one year from the date of final restoration.
- I. The Permittee will indemnify and save harmless the Corporation of the City of Brantford from and against all actions, claims, or demands whatsoever which may be brought against it for all losses, judgments, claims, costs, demands or expenses which the Corporation may sustain arising out of the Permittee's failure



to exercise reasonable care, skill or diligence in performance, inspection, or maintenance of the road cut.

- J. The Permittee MUST notify the Operational Services Supervisor at 519-759-4150 ext. 5756 when work commences. The Permittee shall remove all excavated materials from the location and backfill and compact using OPSS approved granular B materials to finished grade, topped by minimum 50mm of cold mix or hot mix asphalt. Work at all disturbed areas must be completed within two (2) weeks from the time of the initial commencement of the work. The Operational Services Supervisor MUST be notified when disturbed areas are ready to be restored.
- K. Non-shrink backfill will be required as authorized by the Supervisor of Operational Services, when proper compaction cannot be performed due to the proximity of existing utilities.
- L. The Permittee shall be responsible for ensuring that all traffic control during construction complies with the requirements of The Ontario Traffic Manual, Book 7, Latest Edition, and that all work conforms to the requirements of the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- M. The Permittee is solely responsible for control of the work site until such time where ALL of the following conditions are met; the installation of the work is completed notification is given to the Supervisor of Operational Services, that the work is complete; AND The City of Brantford Operational Services Department begins final restoration.

NOTE: Saw-cutting of existing curbs to create a driveway drop curb access will not be permitted. (Removal and replacement of the curb will follow The Corporation of The City of Brantford's Driveway Permit Procedure).

#### OPERATIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Street Excavation Permit Application will be referred to the Supervisor Operational Services who shall:

A. Inspect the site of the proposed work;



- B. Shall issue the Permit, or shall provide reasons why the Permit cannot be issued. Any work on City of Brantford rights-of-way cannot be undertaken without an approved Street Excavation permit.
- C. Inspect the work to ensure that the standards and guidelines as specified in the approved Street Excavation Permit have been complied with.
- D. Restore all surfaces within the City right-of-way, including curb and gutter, sidewalk, pavements, topsoil and sod etc. at the Permittee's expense in accordance with the attached schedule of fees.
- E. If hazardous situations arise due to settlement or any other cause, the Operational Services Department shall, at the Permittee's expense, take all reasonable precautions to protect the safety of the public, and the Permittee will be notified as soon as possible of the deficiency and of the remedial action carried out. If situations requiring immediate attention by the Operational Services Department arise after normal working hours, the Permittee will be notified on the next regular business day. All associated costs will be the responsibility of the Permittee.

In addition to functions and duties stated elsewhere in this document, the City of Brantford Operational Services Department shall co-ordinate the activities of its' restoration crew in such a fashion as to minimize costs and delays to both the Permittee and the City of Brantford.

### **EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

It is recognized that situations may arise where they will require immediate action by the Permittee where it is not possible to obtain a Street Excavation Permit in the usual manner prior to the commencement of work within the road right-of-way. In these situations, work may be undertaken without prior notice; however, the Operational Services Supervisor must be notified by phone immediately of the emergency situation, and a Street Excavation Permit Application for such work must be submitted to the Public Works Commission at City Hall that same day.

Fax permit to 519-754-0724 or e-mail permit to streetcutpermitapplication@brantford.ca



#### WINTER CONDITIONS

During winter conditions when hot mix asphalt is not available (November 1st – April 30th), the Permittee shall be responsible for the temporary restoration of the excavation, including the placing of temporary asphaltic material (ex. cold mix asphalt) to replace any paved surface, curb or sidewalk that has been disturbed. Such material shall be placed in accordance with the M.T.O. restoration policy for temporary restorations.

Following notification by the Permittee that such temporary restoration has been completed; the Operational Services Department shall inspect and maintain (at the permittee's expense) the temporary restoration until such time as the permanent repair can be completed. The Permittee will be charged an inspection fee of \$66.92 + HST per month per excavation cut. If the Operational Services Department considers it necessary to perform immediate maintenance or repair work to restore safe operating conditions on the roadway, the Permittee shall bear the cost of such additional work performed by the Operational Services Department. The permittee shall remain responsible for any third party claims arising from the temporary condition of the work location until such time as the final restoration is completed.

The Operational Services Department shall complete the permanent restoration of such temporary repair areas as soon as possible following the opening of asphalt plants. Winter excavations could be tested prior to the placement of final asphalt to ensure compliance with Ontario Provincial Standards compaction specifications. If such compaction does not meet the O.P.S.S., the Permittee shall be responsible for reexcavating and compacting backfill material.

Regardless of the fact that when the surface area of the restoration passes inspection by the Supervisor of Operational Services, where excessive settlement occurs following the restoration of the asphalt surface, the Permittee will be notified that the Operational Services Department will be re-excavating and properly restoring the work at the Permittee's expense.



## **ARRANGING FOR WATER INSPECTIONS**

All water installations must be inspected by a City of Brantford Inspector. Inspections will be performed throughout the installations as deemed necessary by the Inspector. No backfill can be placed until a final inspection is completed and recorded. Inspections can be arranged at least two (2) business days in advance of starting the service installation by calling Customer Service at 519-756-1360 during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Inspection services will be provided between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

It will be the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that existing utilities and services are supported and protected to avoid any possible disturbance during excavation or removal operations. Contractors must ensure that trenches are safe and accessible as defined by the "Excavations Section" of the Occupational Health and Safety Act. Inspectors will not enter a trench that does not, in their opinion, comply with the Act.

#### ARRANGING FOR SANITARY AND STORM SEWER LATERAL INSPECTIONS PERMIT

All sanitary and storm lateral installations must be inspected by a City of Brantford Inspector. Inspections will be performed throughout the installations as deemed necessary by the Inspector. No backfill can be placed until a final inspection is completed and recorded. Inspections can be arranged at least two (2) business days in advance of starting the service installation by calling Customer Service at 519-759-4150 during normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Inspection services will be provided between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

It will be the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that existing utilities and services are supported and protected to avoid any possible disturbance during excavation or removal operations. Contractors must ensure that trenches are safe and accessible as defined by the "Excavations Section" of the Occupational Health and Safety Act. Inspectors will not enter a trench that does not, in their opinion, comply with the Act.

#### TEMPORARY ROAD/SIDEWALK OCCUPANCY PERMIT

The temporary use of any portion of the City-owned right-of-way requires approval from the City, in accordance with City of Brantford By-law No.117-2007. Any contractor or resident intending to occupy space within the road, sidewalk or boulevard for longer than 30 minutes is required to obtain a <a href="Temporary Road/Sidewalk Occupancy Permit">Temporary Road/Sidewalk Occupancy Permit</a>. A permit can be obtained on the City of Brantford's website,

www.brantford.ca/en/transportation/road-closures. This permit process helps to ensure



that work being performed within the municipal right-of-way is completed in a safe and consistent manner.

Processing time for permit application review is typically 10 working days once all required documents have been submitted to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford. An expedited permit is available for an additional 25% charge, excluding full road closures. Full road closure requests will require additional notice with 15 working days being the recommended minimum.

Permit fees start at \$85 for a partial closure for 30 days or less and increase to \$550 for a full road closure lasting longer than 30 days. Additional details are available on the City of Brantford's website.

The following documentation must be received by the Engineering Services Department before approval can be provided for the temporary road closure:

- A. Certificate of Insurance in the minimum amount of \$2,000,000 naming the "Corporation of the City of Brantford" as an additional insured.
- B. Copy of written notification to residents/businesses abutting the affected road section informing the residents/businesses of the proposed closure.
- C. Traffic Control Plan in compliance with OTM (Ontario Traffic Manual), Book 7.
- D. Approved Street Excavation Permit and/or other related permits

For additional information, contact Laura Welsh, Transportation Technician of the Engineering Services Department at 519-759-4150, Ext. 5428.

#### BILLINGS & MEASUREMENTS

Billings: Once the permit has been approved and issued, the City of Brantford shall invoice the Permittee on a monthly basis in conformance with the attached Schedule of Fees for all completed permits, and the Permittee shall pay such invoice(s) upon receipt.

Measurements: Unless a request is made by the Permittee to meet with the Supervisor of Operational Services to complete the measurements, measurements will be completed by the Supervisor of Operational Services, and deemed final.



Documentation: Backup documentation will be supplied with the City of Brantford's invoice identifying the Permit Number(s) and where applicable, the Permittee's job identification code(s), and will also provide documentation of the quantities of the items listed in the attached Restoration Fee Schedule for which the Permittee is being invoiced.



CITY OF BRANTFORD CONTACT PERSONS			
Dept./Section	Authority	Contact Info	
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION	EMAIL PERMIT APPLICATIONS TO streetcutpermitapplication@brantford.ca	519-759-4150 EXT 5400 FAX 519-754-0724	
OPERATION AL SERVICES	<ul> <li>INSPECTION</li> <li>RESTORATION</li> <li>MEASUREMENT OF         QUANTITIES</li> <li>INVOICING</li> <li>NOTIFICATION PRIOR TO         START AND COMPLETION OF         CONSTRUCTION</li> </ul>	OPER ATION AL SERVICES SUPERVISOR 519-759-4150 EXT 5756  MANAGER OF OPER ATION AL SERVICES 519-759-4150 EXT 5803	
WATER DEPARTMENT	WATER INSTALLATION     INSPECTIONS     NOTIFY 2 WORKING DAYS IN     ADVANCE OF INSTALLATION     OF THE WORK	WATER CUSTOMER SERVICE 519-756-1360	
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION	NOTIFY 2 WORKING     DAYS IN ADVANCE OF     INSTALLATION OF THE     WORK	DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR/ INSPECTOR 519-759-4150 EXT 5404  MANAGER OF DEVELOPMENT 519-759-4150 EXT 5181	

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B U I L D I N G DEPARTMENT	PRIVATE STORM & SANITARY INSPECTIONS	PLUMBING INSPECTORS 519-759-4150 EXT 5702
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION	<ul> <li>PROCESSING OF TEMPORARY RIGHT OF WAY OCCUPANCY APPLICATION &amp; PERMIT</li> <li>DETOURS &amp; SIGNAGE</li> </ul>	TRANSPORTATION TECHNICIAN 519-759-4150 EXT 5428



# CITY OF BRANTFORD RESTORATION AND INSPECTION FEE SCHEDULE<sup>2</sup> (ANNUAL FEES AND SERVICE CHARGES BYLAW)

(AMAZI ELECTRICE CHARGES BILLARY)		
Single Lane Asphalt Restoration	\$117.42/m² after 3.5m² Minimum Charge 3.5m² = \$620.94	
Multi-Lane Asphalt Restoration	\$117.42/m <sup>2</sup> after 3.5m <sup>2</sup> Minimum Charge 3.5m <sup>2</sup> = \$963.36	
ASPHALT DRIVEWAYS	\$117.42/m² after 3.5m² Minimum Charge 3.5m² = \$620.94	
SIDEWALK	\$146.02/m² Minimum Charge One Sidewalk Bay = \$1038.82	
CURBS/GUTTER	\$146.02/linear metre  Minimum Charge Standard Curb Length = \$1038.82	
ROAD CUT RESTORATION ON GRADED SHOULDER	\$21.53/m <sup>2</sup> Minimum Charge 3.5m <sup>2</sup> = \$408.57	
TOPSOIL AND SOD	\$26.69m <sup>2</sup> + HST Minimum Charge 3.5m <sup>2</sup> = \$262.08	
RESTORATION OF PAVESTONE/INTERLOCKING BRICK	\$58.72/m <sup>2</sup> Minimum Charge 3.5m <sup>2</sup> = \$748.96	
DRIVEWAY PERMITS	New Residential Driveway \$175.00 per permit Extension/Addition Residential \$60.00 per permit Commercial Driveway \$175.00 per permit	
WINTER/ADDITIONAL INSPECTION FEE	\$66.92 + HST per excavation cut  *Inspection Fee Once monthly during November 1st – April 30th inclusive	



SANITARY STORM INSPECTIONS CITY PORTION	Crossing 1 lane - \$ 408.00 + HST Crossing 2 lanes - \$ 663.00 + HST Crossing 3 lanes - \$ 918.00 + HST Crossing 4 lanes - \$1,173.00 + HST (payable prior to work being performed)
WATER INSPECTIONS	\$109.00 + HST for services 50mm(2") or less  For services greater than 50mm (2") – actual cost for review and inspection + HST or less.