

PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (PMP)

THE QUESTIONS AND THE ANSWERS

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DRIVEWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Q1. What are the procedures and pricing of redoing a driveway?

A: Information about the Driveway Reconstruction Program is provided to residents on the website and in the packets handed out at the first open house or mailed to residents who don't attend. The City notifies residents of sign-up deadlines via the project newsletter. After residents call and make an appointment, a staff person meets with them to discuss the replacement and measure the driveway. Staff prepares an estimate using the contract unit prices and send it to the resident, who then needs to decide whether to proceed. If they proceed, staff prepares a contract to sign and return to the City.

Q2. Does a 7 percent administration fee still apply?

A: Yes or up to \$250.

Q3. Is a concrete driveway an option?

A: Yes.

Q4. Is it possible for a homeowner to hire a contractor for this work to be done during construction?

A: Yes, but if done during construction, the private contractor must coordinate timing with the City.

Q5. How do you calculate the cost for a homeowner choosing to have the City put in a new driveway?

A: See Q1.

Q6. If the City puts in a new driveway, does the City or the homeowner pay for the apron portion of the driveway?

A: The driveway apron is installed by the City's contractor and covered as part of the project.

Q7. If the City does not put in a new driveway, does the City or the homeowner pay for the apron portion of the driveway?

A: Installation of the apron is part of the street reconstruction costs.

Q8. Are there options for aprons? For example, can you not have the side triangles, or can you choose a length?

A: The apron is the part of the public street and is therefore constructed to City standards.

Q9. Can you have a circular driveway with two entrances to the street?

A: Existing horseshoe driveways may remain but new ones are not allowed.

Q10. Can you have two driveways with different entrances to the street? If not, can a homeowner petition to have his/her driveway grandfathered in as is?

A: A second driveway is only permitted if it leads to a legally constructed garage. There is no formal petition process.

Q11. How long is the driveway work guaranteed?

A: One year after completion.

Q12. What are the pros and cons of having the driveway done at the time of street repaving?

A: Although not guaranteed, the City's cost may be lower. The costs can be assessed. Private contractors may offer a longer warranty period. Residents are encouraged to get separate estimates from private contractors.

Q13. How wide or narrow can your driveway be?

A: Maximum width is 25 feet in the right-of-way. There is no minimum width.