

Section 01145

USE OF PREMISES

PART 1 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Section includes general use of the site including properties inside and outside of rights-of-way, work affecting road, ramps, streets and driveways and notification to adjacent occupants.

1.02 RIGHTS-OF-WAY

- A. Confine access and operations and storage areas to rights-of-way provided by City as stipulated in Document 00700 - General Conditions; trespassing on abutting lands or other lands in the area is not allowed.
- B. Contractor may make arrangements, at Contractor's cost, for temporary use of private properties, in which case Contractor and Contractor's surety shall indemnify and hold harmless the City against claims or demands arising from such use of properties outside of rights-of-way. Submit notarized copy of agreement between private property owner and Contractor prior to use of the area.
- C. Obtain permits from City of Houston Parks and Recreation Department for storage of materials on esplanades and other areas within rights-of-way under that Department's jurisdiction. Submit copies of permits prior to use of the area.
- D. Restrict total length which materials may be distributed along the route of the construction at any one time to 1,000 linear feet unless otherwise approved in writing by City Engineer.

1.03 PROPERTIES OUTSIDE OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY

- A. Altering the condition of properties adjacent to and along rights-of-way will not be permitted.
- B. Means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures which will result in damage to properties or improvements in the vicinity outside of rights-of-way will not be permitted.
- C. Any damage to properties outside of rights-of-ways shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and at no cost to the City.

1.04 USE OF SITE

- A. Obtain approvals of governing authorities prior to impeding or closing public roads or streets. Do not close more than two consecutive intersections at one time.
- B. Notify City Engineer and City Traffic Management and Maintenance department at least 48 hours prior to closing a street or a street crossing. Permits for street closures are required in advance and are the responsibility of the Contractor.
- C. Maintain access for emergency vehicles including access to fire hydrants.
- D. Avoid obstructing drainage ditches or inlets; when obstruction is unavoidable due to requirements of the Work, provide grading and temporary drainage structures to maintain unimpeded flow.
- E. Locate and protect private lawn sprinkler systems which may exist on rights-of-ways within the site. Repair or replace damaged systems to condition equal to or better than that existing at start of Work.
- F. Perform daily clean-up of dirt outside the construction zone, and debris, scrap materials, and other disposable items. Keep streets, driveways, and sidewalks clean of dirt, debris and scrap materials. Do not leave building, roads, streets or other construction areas unclean overnight.

1.05 NOTIFICATION TO ADJACENT OCCUPANTS

- A. Notify individual occupants in areas to be effected by the Work of the proposed construction and time schedule. Notification shall be not less than 72 hours or more than 2 weeks prior to work being performed within 200 feet of the homes or businesses. City Engineer will provide a sample door hanger showing form and content to be followed.
- B. Include in notification names and telephone numbers of two company representatives for resident contact, who will be available on 24-hour call. Include precautions which will be taken to protect private property and identify potential access or utility inconvenience or disruption.
- C. Submit proposed notification to City Engineer for approval. Consideration shall be given to the ethnicity of the neighborhood where English is not the dominant language. Notice shall be in an understandable language.

1.06 PUBLIC, TEMPORARY, AND CONSTRUCTION ROADS AND RAMPS

- A. Construct and maintain temporary detours, ramps, and roads to provide for normal public traffic flow when use of public roads or streets is closed by necessities of the Work.
- B. Provide mats or other means to prevent overloading or damage to existing roadways from tracked equipment or large or heavy trucks or equipment.
- C. Construct and maintain access roads and parking areas as specified in Section 01504 - Temporary Facilities and Controls.

1.07 EXCAVATION IN STREETS AND DRIVEWAYS

- A. Avoid needless hindering or inconveniencing public travel on a street or any intersecting alley or street for more than two blocks at any one time, except by permission of the City Engineer.
- B. Obtain the City Traffic Management and Maintenance Department and City Engineer's approval when the nature of the Work requires closing of an entire street. Permits required for street closure are the Contractor's responsibility. Avoid unnecessary inconvenience to abutting property owners.
- C. Remove surplus materials and debris and open each block for public use as work in that block is complete.
- D. Acceptance of any portion of the Work will not be based on return of street to public use.
- E. Avoid obstructing driveways or entrances to private property.
- F. Provide temporary crossing or complete the excavation and backfill in one continuous operation to minimize the duration of obstruction when excavation is required across drives or entrances.
- G. Provide barricades and signs in accordance with Section VI of the State of Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

1.08 TRAFFIC CONTROL

- A. Comply with traffic regulation as specified in Section 01555 - Traffic Control and Regulation.

1.09 SURFACE RESTORATION

- A. Restore site to condition existing before construction to satisfaction of City Engineer.
- B. Repair paved area per the requirements of Section 02951 - Pavement Repair and Resurfacing.

- C. Repair turf areas which become damaged, level with bank run sand conforming to Section 02317 - Excavation and Backfill for Utilities, or topsoil conforming to Section 02911 - Topsoil, as approved by the City Engineer and resod in accordance with Section 02922 - Sodding. Water and level newly sodded areas with adjoining turf using steel wheel rollers appropriate for sodding. Do not use spot sodding or sprigging.

PART 2 PRODUCTS - Not Used

PART 3 EXECUTION - Not Used

END OF SECTION