

#### **GENERAL ITEMS**

1. All construction shall conform to the requirements set forth in the City of Rockwall's Engineering Department's "Standards of Design and Construction" and the "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction" by the North Texas Central Council of Governments, 5th edition amended by the City of Rockwall. The CONTRACTOR shall reference the latest City of Rockwall standard details provided in the Rockwall Engineering Departments "Standards of Design and Construction" manual for details not provided in these plans. The CONTRACTOR shall possess one set of the NCTCOG Standard Specifications and Details and the City of Rockwall's "Standards of Design and Construction" manual on the project site at all times
2. Where any conflicting notes, details or specifications occur in the plans the City of Rockwall General Construction Notes, Standards, Details and Specifications shall govern unless detail or specification is more strict.
3. The City of Rockwall Engineering Departments "Standards of Design and Construction" can be found online at: <http://www.rockwall.com/engr.asp>
4. All communication between the City and the CONTRACTOR shall be through the Engineering Construction Inspector and City Engineer or designated representative only. It is the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR to contact the appropriate department for inspections that do not fall under this approved engineering plan set.
5. Prior to construction, CONTRACTOR shall have in their possession all necessary permits, plans, licenses, etc.
6. The CONTRACTOR shall have at least one original stamped and signed set of approved engineering plans and specifications on-site and in their possession at all times. A stop work order will be issued if items are not on-site. Copies of the approved plans will not be substituted for the required original "approved plans to be on-site".
7. All material submittals, concrete batch designs and shop drawings required for City review and approval shall be submitted by the CONTRACTOR to the City sufficiently in advance of scheduled construction to allow no less than 10 business days for review and response by the City.
8. All site dimensions are referenced to the face of curb or edge of pavement unless otherwise noted.
9. The City requires ten (10%) percent-two (2) year maintenance bond for paving, paving improvements, water systems, wastewater systems, storm sewer systems including detention systems, and associated fixtures and structures which are located within the right-of-ways or defined easements. The two (2) year maintenance bond is to state "from date of City acceptance" as the starting time.
10. A review of the site shall be conducted at twenty (20) months into the two (2) year maintenance period. The design engineer or their designated representative and the CONTRACTOR shall be present to walk the site with the City of Rockwall Engineering Inspection personnel.

#### **EROSION CONTROL & VEGETATION**

1. The CONTRACTOR or developer shall be responsible, as the entity exercising operational control, for all permitting as required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). This includes, but is not limited to, preparation of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), the Construction Site Notice (CSN), the Notice of Intent (NOI), the Notice of Termination (NOT) and any Notice of Change (NOC) and is required to pay all associated fees
2. Erosion control devices as shown on the erosion control plan for the project shall be installed prior to the start of land disturbing activities.
3. All erosion control devices are to be installed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for the project. Erosion control devices shall be placed and in working order prior to start of construction. Changes are to be reviewed and approved by the design engineer and the City of Rockwall prior to implementation.
4. If the Erosion Control Plans and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) as approved cannot appropriately control erosion and off-site sedimentation from the project, the erosion control plan and/or the SWPPP is required to be revised and any changes reported to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), when applicable.
5. All erosion control devices shall be inspected weekly by the CONTRACTOR and after all major rain events, or more frequently as dictated in the project Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). CONTRACTOR shall provide copies of inspection's reports to the engineering inspection after each inspection.
6. The CONTRACTOR shall not dispose of waste and any materials into streams, waterways or floodplains. The CONTRACTOR shall secure all excavation at the end of each day and dispose of all excess materials.
7. CONTRACTOR shall take all available precautions to control dust. CONTRACTOR shall control dust by sprinkling water or other means as approved by the City Engineer.
8. CONTRACTOR shall establish grass and maintain the seeded area, including watering, until a "Permanent Stand of Grass" is obtained at which time the project will be accepted by the City. A "Stand of Grass" (not winter rye or weeds) shall consist of 75% to 80% coverage of all disturbed areas and a minimum of one-inch (1") in height as determined by the City. No bare spots will be allowed. Re-seeding will be required in all washed areas and areas that don't grow.
9. All City right-of-ways shall be sodded if disturbed. No artificial grass is allowed in any City right-of-way and/or easements.
10. All adjacent streets/alleys shall be kept clean at all times
11. CONTRACTOR shall keep construction site clean at all times, immediately contain all debris and trash, all debris and trash shall be removed at the end of each work day, and all vegetation on the construction site 10-inches or taller in height must be cut immediately.
12. Suspension of all construction activities for the project will be enforced by the City if any erosion control requirements are not met. Work may commence after deficiency has been rectified.
13. During construction of the project, all soil stockpiles and borrow areas shall be stabilized or protected with sediment trapping measures. The CONTRACTOR is responsible for the temporary protection and permanent stabilization of all soil stockpiles on-site as well as borrow areas and soil intentionally transported from the project site.
14. Where construction vehicles access routes intersect paved or public roads/alleys, construction entrances shall be installed to minimize the transport of sediment by vehicular tracking onto paved surfaces. Where sediment is transferred onto paved or public surfaces, the surface shall be immediately cleaned. Sediment shall be

removed from the surface by shoveling or sweeping and transported to a sediment disposal area. Pavement washing shall be allowed only after sediment is removed in this manner.

15. All drainage inlets shall be protected from siltation, ineffective or unmaintained protection devices shall be immediately replaced and the inlet and storm system cleaned. Flushing is not an acceptable method of cleaning.
16. During all dewatering operations, water shall be pumped into an approved filtering device prior to discharge into a receiving outlet.

#### **TRAFFIC CONTROL**

1. All new Detouring or Traffic Control Plans are required to be submitted to the City for review and approval a minimum of 21 calendar days prior to planned day of implementation.
2. When the normal function of the roadway is suspended through closure of any portion of the right-of-way, temporary construction work zone traffic control devices shall be installed to effectively guide the motoring public through the area. Consideration for road user safety, worker safety, and the efficiency of road user flow is an integral element of every traffic control zone.
3. All traffic control plans shall be prepared and submitted to the Engineering Department in accordance with the standards identified in Part VI of the most recent edition of the TMUTCD. Lane closures will not occur on roadways without an approval from the Rockwall Engineering Department and an approved traffic control plan. Traffic control plans shall be required on all roadways as determined by the City Engineer or the designated representative.
4. All traffic control plans must be prepared, signed, and sealed by an individual that is licensed as a professional engineer in the State of Texas. All traffic control plans and copies of work zone certification must be submitted for review and approval a minimum of three (3) weeks prior to the anticipated temporary traffic control.
5. The CONTRACTOR executing the traffic control plan shall notify all affected property owners two (2) weeks prior to any the closures in writing and verbally.
6. Any deviation from an approved traffic control plan must be reviewed by the City Engineer or the designated representative. If an approved traffic control plan is not adhered to, the CONTRACTOR will first receive a verbal warning and be required to correct the problem immediately. If the deviation is not corrected, all construction work will be suspended, the lane closure will be removed, and the roadway opened to traffic.
7. All temporary traffic control devices shall be removed as soon as practical when they are no longer needed. When work is suspended for short periods of time at the end of the workday, all temporary traffic control devices that are no longer appropriate shall be removed or covered. The first violation of this provision will result in a verbal warning to the construction foreman. Subsequent violations will result in suspension of all work at the job site for a minimum of 48 hours. All contractors working on City funded projects will be charged one working day for each 24 hour closure.
8. Lane closures on any major or minor arterial will not be permitted between the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 am and 3:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Where lane closures are needed in a school area, they will not be permitted during peak hours of 7:00 am – 9:00 am and 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Closures may be adjusted according to the actual start-finish times of the actual school with approval by the City Engineer. The first violation of this provision will result in a verbal warning to the construction foreman. Subsequent violations will result in suspension of all work at the job site for a minimum of 48 hours. All contractors working on City funded projects will be charged one working day for each 24 hour closure of a roadway whether they are working or not.
9. No traffic signs shall be taken down without permission from the City.
10. No street/roadway will be allowed to be fully closed.

#### **UTILITY LINE LOCATES**

1. It is the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to notify utility companies to arrange for utility locates at least 48 hours prior to beginning construction. The completeness and accuracy of the utility data shown on the plans is not guaranteed by the design engineer or the City. The CONTRACTOR is responsible for verifying the depth and location of existing underground utilities proper to excavating, trenching, or drilling and shall be required to take any precautionary measures to protect all lines shown and .or any other underground utilities not on record or not shown on the plans.
2. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for damages to utilities
3. CONTRACTOR shall adjust all City of Rockwall utilities to the final grades.
4. All utilities shall be placed underground.
5. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the protection of all existing main lines and service lines crossed or exposed by construction operations. Where existing mains or service lines are cut, broken or damaged, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately make repairs to or replace the entire service line with same type of original construction or better. The City of Rockwall can and will intervene to restore service if deemed necessary and charge the CONTRACTOR for labor, equipment, material and loss of water if repairs aren't made in a timely manner by the CONTRACTOR.
6. The City of Rockwall (City utilities) is not part of the Dig Tess or Texas one Call – 811 – line locate system. All City of Rockwall utility line locates are to be scheduled with the City of Rockwall Service Center. 972-771-7730. A 48-hour advance notice is required for all non-emergency line locates.
7. Underground utility lines shall be installed in accordance with the following standards in addition to other applicable criteria:
  - a. No more than 500 linear feet of trench may be opened at one time.
  - b. Material used for backfilling trenches shall be properly compacted to 95% standard density in order to minimize erosion, settlement, and promote stabilization that the geotechnical engineer recommends.
  - c. Applicable safety regulations shall be complied with.
11. This plan details pipes up to 5 feet from the building. Refer to the building plans for building connections. CONTRACTOR shall supply and install pipe adapters as necessary.
12. All underground lines shall be installed, inspected, and approved prior to backfilling.
13. All concrete encasement shall have a minimum of 28 days compressive strength at 3,000 psi (min. 5.5 sack mix).

#### **WATER LINE NOTES**

1. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain existing water service at all times during construction.
2. Proposed water lines shall be AWWA C900-16 PVC Pipe (blue in color) for all sizes, DR 14 (PC 305) for pipeline sizes 12-inch and smaller, and DR 18 (PC 235) for 14-inch and larger water pipelines unless otherwise shown on water plan and profiles sheets. Proposed water lines shall be constructed with minimum cover of 4 feet for 6-inch through 8-inch, 5 feet for 12-inch through 18-inch and 6 feet for 20-inch and larger.
3. Proposed water line embedment shall be NCTCOG Class 'B-3' as amended by the City of Rockwall's engineering standards of design and construction manual.
4. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate the shutting down of all water lines with the City of Rockwall Engineering Inspector and Water Department. The City shall operate all water valves. Allow 5 business days from the date of notice to allow City personnel time to schedule a shut down. Two additional days are required for the CONTRACTOR to notify residents in writing of the shut down after the impacted area has been identified. Water shut downs impacting businesses during their normal operation hours is not allowed. CONTRACTOR is required to coordinate with the Rockwall Fire Department regarding any fire watch requirements as well as any costs incurred when the loss of fire protection to a structure occurs.
5. CONTRACTOR shall furnish and install gaskets on water lines between all dissimilar metals and at valves (both existing and proposed).
6. All fire hydrants and valves removed and salvaged shall be returned to the City of Rockwall Municipal Service Center.
7. Blue EMS pads shall be installed at every change in direction, valve, curb stop and service tap on the proposed water line and every 250'.
8. All water valve hardware and valve extensions, bolts, nuts and washers shall be 316 stainless steel.
9. All fire hydrants bolts, nuts and washers that are buried shall be 316 stainless steel.
10. Abandoned water lines to remain in place shall be cut and plugged and all void spaces within the abandoned line shall be filled with grout, flowable fill or an expandable permanent foam product. Valves to be abandoned in place shall have any extensions and the valve box removed and shall be capped in concrete.
11. All fire hydrants will have a minimum of 5 feet of clearance around the appurtenance including but not limited to parking spaces and landscaping.
12. All joints are to be megalug joints with thrust blocking.
13. Water and sewer mains shall be kept 10 feet apart (parallel) or when crossing 2 feet vertical clearance.
14. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a minimum of 4 feet of cover on all water lines.
15. All domestic and irrigation services are required to have a testable backflow device with a double check valve installed per the City of Rockwall regulations at the property line and shown on plans.

#### **WASTEWATER LINE NOTES**

1. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain existing wastewater service at all times during construction.
2. Wastewater line for 4-inch through 15-inch shall be Green PVC – SDR 35 (ASTM D3034) [less 10 ft cover] and SDR 26 (ASTM D3034) [10 ft or more cover]. For 18-inch and larger wastewater line shall be Green PVC – PS 46 (ASTM F679) [less 10 ft cover] and PS 115 (ASTM F679) [10 ft or more cover]. No services will be allowed on a sanitary sewer line deeper than 10 feet.
3. Proposed wastewater line embedment shall be NCTCOG Class 'H' as amended by the City of Rockwall's public works standard design and construction manual.
4. Green EMS pads shall be installed at every 250', manhole, clean out and service lateral on proposed wastewater lines.
5. CONTRACTOR shall CCTV all existing wastewater lines that are to be abandoned to ensure that all laterals are accounted for and transferred to proposed wastewater lines prior to abandonment.
6. All abandoned wastewater and force main lines shall be cut and plugged and all void spaces within the abandoned line shall be filled with grout, flowable fill or an expandable permanent foam product.
7. Existing manholes and cleanouts not specifically called to be relocated shall be adjusted to match final grades.
8. All wastewater pipes and public services shall be inspected by photographic means (television and DVD) prior to final acceptance and after franchise utilities are installed. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish a DVD to the Engineering Construction Inspector for review. Pipes shall be cleaned prior to TV inspection of the pipes. Any sags, open joints, cracked pipes, etc. shall be repaired or removed by the CONTRACTOR at the CONTRACTOR's expense. A television survey will be performed as part of the final testing in the twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) month of the maintenance period.
9. All manholes (public or private) shall be fitted with inflow prevention. The inflow prevention shall conform to the measures called out in standard detail R-5031.
10. All new or existing manholes being modified shall have corrosion protection being Raven Liner 405 epoxy coating, ConShield, or approved equal. Consheild must have terracotta color dye mixed in the precast and cast-in-place concrete. Where connections to existing manholes are made the CONTRACTOR shall rehab manhole as necessary and install a 125 mil thick coating of Raven Liner 405 or approved equal.
11. All new or existing manholes that are to be placed in pavement shall be fitted with a sealed (gasketed) rim and cover to prevent inflow.
12. If an existing wastewater main or trunk line is called out to be replaced in place a wastewater bypassing pump plan shall be required and submitted to the Engineering Construction Inspector and City Engineer for approval prior to implementation. Bypass pump shall be fitted with an auto dialer and conform to the City's Noise Ordinance. Plan shall be to the City sufficiently in advance of scheduled construction to allow no less than 10 business days for review and response by the City.
13. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a minimum of 4 feet of cover on all wastewater lines.



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