

Chapter 16.12 MINIMUM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND DESIGN STANDARDS FOR DEVELOPMENT¹

16.12.008 Definitions.

Whenever the words or terms and their derivatives are used in this chapter, they shall have the meaning herein ascribed to them as described in OCMC 17.04, unless the context dictates application of a different meaning.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.010 Purpose and general provisions.

The purpose of this chapter is to identify the standards for development in and adjacent to spaces which benefit the public including right-of-way, access to the right-of-way, public off-street pedestrian and bicycle accessways, and easements. All development shall be in conformance with the policies and design standards established by this chapter and with applicable standards in the city's public facility master plans and city design standards and specifications. In reviewing applications for development, the city engineer shall take into consideration any approved development and the remaining development potential of adjacent properties. All street, water, sanitary sewer, storm drainage and utility plans associated with any development shall be reviewed and approved by the city engineer prior to construction. All streets, driveways or storm drainage connections to another jurisdiction's facility or right-of-way shall be reviewed by the appropriate jurisdiction as a condition of the preliminary plat and when required by law or intergovernmental agreement shall be approved by the appropriate jurisdiction.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.011 Applicability.

- A. Compliance with this chapter is required for all development including land divisions, site plan and design review, master plan, detailed development plan and conditional use applications and all public improvements that are required in conjunction with a land use decision.
- B. Compliance with this chapter is also required for new construction or additions which exceed fifty percent of the existing square footage of all single-family detached residential and middle housing units' living space. Garages, carports, sheds, and porches may not be included in the calculation if these spaces are not living spaces. Accessory dwelling units are not subject to compliance with this chapter. All single-family detached residential and middle housing units shall provide any necessary dedications, easements or agreements as identified in the transportation system plan and this chapter, subject to constitutional limitations. In addition, the street frontage shall be improved to include the following priorities for improvements:
 - 1. Improve street pavement, construct curbs, gutters, sidewalks and planter strips; and
 - 2. Plant street trees.

The cost of compliance with the standards identified in subsections 16.12.011.B.1 and 16.12.011.B.2 is calculated based on the square footage valuation from the state of Oregon Building Codes Division and limited to

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ten percent of the total construction costs. The value of the alterations and improvements is based on the total construction costs for a complete project rather than costs of various project component parts subject to individual building permits. The entire proposed construction project cost includes engineering and consulting fees and construction costs. It does not include permit fees, recording fees, or any work associated with drafting or recording dedications or easements.

C. Exemptions. The following are exempt from review by this chapter unless public improvements, driveways, PUEs, or other items regulated by this chapter are proposed:

1. Minor site plan and design review applications.
2. Work within the right-of-way.
3. Lot line adjustments and abandonments.
4. Public capital improvement projects.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.012 Jurisdiction and management of the public rights-of-way.

The city has jurisdiction and exercises regulatory management over all public rights-of-way as defined and outlined within Chapter 12.04 of the Oregon City Municipal Code.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.013 Modifications.

The applicant may request and the review body may consider modification of the standards in this chapter resulting from constitutional limitations restricting the city's ability to require the dedication of property or for any other reason, based upon the criteria listed below and other criteria identified in the standard to be modified. All modifications, except for adjustments approved by the city engineer for tree preservation purposes pursuant to Section 16.12.013.A, shall be processed through a Type II land use application and may require additional evidence from a transportation engineer or others to verify compliance. Compliance with the following criteria is required:

A. Compliance with the following criteria is required:

1. The modification meets the intent of the standard;
2. The modification provides safe and efficient movement of pedestrians, motor vehicles, bicyclists and freight;
3. The modification is consistent with an adopted transportation or utility plan;
4. The modification is complementary with a surrounding street design; or, in the alternative;
5. If a modification is requested for constitutional reasons, the applicant shall demonstrate the constitutional provision or provisions to be avoided by the modification and propose a modification that complies with the state or federal constitution. The City shall be under no obligation to grant a modification in excess of that which is necessary to meet its constitutional obligations.

B. The following modifications shall be processed as a Type I modification by the city engineer using the criteria in OCMC 16.12.13.A:

1. Modifications to driveway location, size, and sharing standards in OCMC 16.12.035;
2. Modifications to sidewalk and planter strips widths and location in OCMC 16.12.016 that preserve existing street trees or trees on private property to ensure compliance with ADA standards.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.014 Administrative provisions.

An applicant shall submit the following items to the city and complete the following tasks prior to proceeding with construction of proposed development plans. These items include the following:

- A. Pre-design meeting;
- B. Final engineering plans, stamped and signed by an Oregon licensed professional engineer;
- C. Stormwater report, stamped and signed by an Oregon licensed professional engineer;
- D. Geotechnical report, stamped and signed by an Oregon licensed professional engineer (if applicable);
- E. Engineer's preliminary and final cost estimates (also may be known as engineer's opinion of probable construction cost);
- F. Plan check and inspection fees (as set by city resolution);
- G. Certificate of liability insurance for city funded public projects contracted by the city (not less than one million dollars single incident and two million dollars aggregate);
- H. Preconstruction meeting notes;
- I. Financial guarantee(s) per OCMC 17.50.140;
- J. Applicable approvals/permits from other agencies or entities;
- K. Developer/engineer agreement for public works improvements.

An applicant shall submit the following additional items to the city and complete the following tasks prior to completing construction of proposed development plans. These items include the following:

- L. Project engineer's certificate of completion;
- M. Stormwater operation and maintenance easement (if applicable);
- N. Deed of dedication (bargain and sale deed);
- O. Recorded plat and/or easements (if applicable);
- P. Recorded non-remonstrance covenant agreement;
- Q. Land division compliance agreement (if applicable);
- R. Permanent stabilization and/or restoration of the impact from the development;
- S. Fulfillment of all conditions of approval;
- T. Payment of all outstanding fees;
- U. Maintenance guarantee(s), per OCMC 17.50.141;
- V. Indemnity agreement (if applicable);
- W. Completed punchlist;
- X. As-built drawings;

Details on individual items required by this subsection can be obtained by contacting public works. Many items, such as the engineer's cost estimate and plan check and inspection fee, maybe be submitted in conjunction with documentation for other infrastructure improvements that are done with the development (such as street, sanitary sewer, and water).

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.015 Street design—Generally.

Development shall be required to provide existing or future connections to adjacent sites through the use of vehicular and pedestrian access easements where applicable. Development shall provide any necessary dedications, easements or agreements as identified in the transportation system plan, trails master plan, and/or parks and recreation master plan and this chapter, subject to constitutional limitations. The location, width and grade of street shall be considered in relation to: Existing and planned streets, topographical conditions, public convenience and safety for all modes of travel, existing and identified future transit routes and pedestrian/bicycle accessways, overlay districts, and the proposed use of land to be served by the streets. The street system shall assure an adequate traffic circulation system with intersection angles, grades, tangents and curves appropriate for the traffic to be carried considering the terrain. To the extent possible, proposed streets shall connect to all existing or approved stub streets that abut the development site. The arrangement of streets shall either:

- A. Provide for the continuation or appropriate projection of existing principal streets in the surrounding area and on adjacent parcels or conform to a plan for the area approved or adopted by the city to meet a particular situation where topographical or other conditions make continuance or conformance to existing streets impractical;
- B. Where necessary to give access to or permit a satisfactory future development of adjoining land, streets shall be extended to the boundary of the development and the resulting dead-end street (stub) may be approved with a temporary turnaround as approved by the city engineer. Notification that the street is planned for future extension shall be posted on the stub street until the street is extended and shall inform the public that the dead-end street may be extended in the future. Access control in accordance with OCMC 16.12.017 shall be required to preserve the objectives of street extensions.
- C. Adequate right-of-way and improvements to streets, pedestrian ways, bike routes and bikeways, and transit facilities shall be provided and be consistent with the city's transportation system plan. Consideration shall be given to the need for street widening and other improvements in the area of the proposed development impacted by traffic generated by the proposed development. This shall include, but not be limited to, improvements to the right-of-way, such as installation of lighting, signalization, turn lanes, median and parking strips, traffic islands, paving, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, bikeways, street drainage facilities and other facilities needed because of anticipated vehicular and pedestrian traffic generation.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.016 Street design.

All development regulated by this chapter shall provide street improvements in compliance with the standards in Table 16.12.016 depending on the street classification set forth in the transportation system plan and the comprehensive plan designation of the adjacent property, unless an alternative plan has been adopted. The table implements the adopted transportation system plan and illustrates the maximum design standards. These standards may be reduced with an alternative street design which may be approved based on the modification criteria in OCMC 16.12.013. The steps for reducing the street design are found in the transportation system plan.

**Table 16.12.016
Street Design**

To read the table select the road classification as identified in the transportation system plan and the comprehensive plan designation of the adjacent properties to find the maximum design standards for the road cross section. If the comprehensive plan designation for lands on either side of the street differs, the wider right-of-way standard shall apply.

Road Classification	Comprehensive Plan Designation	Right-of-Way Width	Pavement Width	Public Access	Sidewalk	Landscape Strip	Bike Lane	Street Parking	Travel Lanes	Median	
Major Arterial	Mixed Use, Commercial or Public/Quasi Public	116 ft.	94 ft.	0.5 ft.	10.5 ft. sidewalk including 5 ft. x 5 ft. tree wells		6 ft.	8 ft.	(5) 12 ft. Lanes	6 ft.	
		Industrial	120 ft.	88 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	10.5 ft.	6 ft.	N/A	(5) 14 ft. Lanes	6 ft.
		Residential	126 ft.	94 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	10.5 ft.	6 ft.	8 ft.	(5) 12 ft. Lanes	6 ft.
Minor Arterial	Mixed Use, Commercial or Public/Quasi Public	116 ft.	94 ft.	0.5 ft.	10.5 ft. sidewalk including 5 ft. x 5 ft. tree wells		6 ft.	8 ft.	(5) 12 ft. Lanes	6 ft.	
		Industrial	118 ft.	86 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	10.5 ft.	6 ft.	7 ft.	(5) 12 ft. Lanes	N/A
		Residential	100 ft.	68 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	10.5 ft.	6 ft.	7 ft.	(3) 12 ft. Lanes	6 ft.
Collector	Mixed Use, Commercial or Public/Quasi Public	86 ft.	64 ft.	0.5 ft.	10.5 ft. sidewalk including 5 ft. x 5 ft. tree wells		6 ft.	8 ft.	(3) 12 ft. Lanes	N/A	
		Industrial	88 ft.	62 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	7.5 ft.	6 ft.	7 ft.	(3) 12 ft. Lanes	N/A
		Residential	85 ft.	59 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	7.5 ft.	6 ft.	7 ft.	(3) 11 ft. Lanes	N/A

Local	Mixed Use, Commercial or Public/Quasi Public	62 ft.	40 ft.	0.5 ft.	10.5 ft. sidewalk including 5 ft. x 5 ft. tree wells		N/A	8 ft.	(2) 12 ft. Lanes	N/A	
	Industrial	60 ft.	38 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	5.5 ft.	(2) 19 ft. Shared Space			N/A	
	Residential	54 ft.	32 ft.	0.5 ft.	5 ft.	5.5 ft.	(2) 16 ft. Shared Space			N/A	

1. Pavement width includes, bike lane, street parking, travel lanes and median.
2. Public access, sidewalks, landscape strips, bike lanes and on-street parking are required on both sides of the street in all designations. The right-of-way width and pavement widths identified above include the total street section.
3. A 0.5 foot curb is included in landscape strip or sidewalk width.
4. Travel lanes may be through lanes or turn lanes.
5. The 0.5 foot public access provides access to adjacent public improvements.
6. Alleys shall have a minimum right-of-way width of twenty feet and a minimum pavement width of sixteen feet. If alleys are provided, garage access shall be provided from the alley.
7. A raised concrete median or landscape median shall be utilized for roads identified to have access restrictions.
8. A public utility easement (PUE) shall be provided on both sides of the right-of-way or public access easement on private property as identified in OCMC 16.12.085.
- A. Sidewalks. The applicant shall provide for sidewalks on both sides of all public streets, on any private street if so required by the decision-maker, and in any special pedestrian way within the development. Both sidewalks and curbs are to be constructed to city standards and at widths set forth above, and according to plans and specifications provided by the city engineer. Exceptions to this requirement may be allowed in order to accommodate topography, trees or some similar site constraint. In the case of major or minor arterials, the decision-maker may approve a development without sidewalks where sidewalks are found to be dangerous or otherwise impractical to construct or are not reasonably related to the applicant's development. The decision-maker may require the applicant to provide sidewalks concurrent with the issuance of the initial building permit within the area that is the subject of the development application. Applicants for partitions may be allowed to meet this requirement by providing the city with a financial guarantee per OCMC 16.12.110.
- B. Pedestrian and Bicycle Accessways Routes. If deemed appropriate to extend pedestrian and bicycle routes, existing or planned, the decision-maker may require the installation of separate pedestrian and bicycle facilities.
- C. Street Name Signs and Traffic Control Devices. The applicant shall install street signs and traffic control devices as directed by the city engineer. Street name signs and traffic control devices shall be in conformance with all applicable city regulations and standards.
- D. Street Lights. The applicant shall install street lights which shall be served from an underground source of supply. Street lights shall be in conformance with all city regulations.

- E. Any new street proposed with a pavement width of less than thirty-two feet shall be processed through OCMC 16.12.013 and meet minimum life safety requirements, which may include fire suppression devices as determined by the fire marshal to assure an adequate level of fire and life safety. The modified street shall have no less than a twenty-foot wide unobstructed travel lane.
- F. All development shall include vegetated planter strips that are five feet in width or larger and located between the sidewalk and curb unless otherwise approved pursuant to this chapter. All development shall utilize the vegetated planter strip for the placement of street trees or place street trees in other acceptable locations, as prescribed by OCMC 12.08. Development proposed along a collector, minor arterial, or major arterial roads may place street trees within tree wells within a wider sidewalk in lieu of a planter strip. In addition to street trees per OCMC 12.08, vegetated planter strips shall include ground cover and/or shrubs spaced four feet apart and appropriate for the location. No invasive or nuisance plant species shall be permitted.
- G. Vehicle and pedestrian access easements may serve in lieu of streets when approved by the decision maker and only where dedication of a street is deemed impracticable.
- H. Vehicular and pedestrian easements shall allow for public access and shall comply with all applicable pedestrian access requirements.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.017 Street design—Access control.

- A. A street which is dedicated to end at the boundary of the development or in the case of half-streets dedicated along a boundary shall have an access control granted to the city as a city controlled plat restriction for the purposes of controlling ingress and egress to the property adjacent to the end of the dedicated street. The access control restriction shall exist until such time as a public street is created, by dedication and accepted, extending the street to the adjacent property.
- B. The city may grant a permit for the adjoining owner to access through the access control.
- C. The plat shall contain the following access control language or similar on the face of the map at the end of each street for which access control is required: "Access Control (see plat restrictions)."
- D. Said plats shall also contain the following plat restriction note(s): "Access to (name of street or tract) from adjoining tracts (name of deed document number[s]) shall be controlled by the city of Oregon City by the recording of this plat, as shown. These access controls shall be automatically terminated upon the acceptance of a public road dedication or the recording of a plat extending the street to adjacent property that would access through those access controls."

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.018 Street design—Alignment.

The centerline of streets shall be:

- A. Aligned with existing streets by continuation of the centerlines.
- B. Offset from the centerline by no more than five feet, provided appropriate mitigation, in the judgment of the city engineer, is provided to ensure that the offset intersection will not pose a safety hazard.
- C. Driveways that are at least twenty-four feet wide shall align with existing or planned streets on adjacent sites.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.019 Traffic sight obstructions.

All new streets shall comply with the traffic sight obstructions in Chapter 10.32.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.020 Street design—Intersection angles.

Except where topography requires a lesser angle, streets shall be laid out to intersect at angles as near as possible to right angles. In no case shall the acute angles be less than eighty degrees unless there is a special intersection design. An arterial or collector street intersecting with another street shall have at least one hundred feet of tangent adjacent to the intersection unless topography requires a lesser distance. Other streets, except alleys, shall have at least fifty feet of tangent adjacent to the intersection unless topography requires a lesser distance. All street intersections shall be provided with a minimum curb return radius of twenty-five feet for local streets. Larger radii shall be required for higher street classifications as determined by the city engineer. Additional right-of-way shall be required to accommodate curb returns and sidewalks at intersections. Ordinarily, intersections should not have more than two streets at any one point.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.021 Same—Grades and curves.

Grades and center line radii shall conform to standards approved by the city engineer.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.022 Same—Development abutting arterial or collector street.

Where development abuts or contains an existing or proposed arterial or collector street, the decision maker may require: Access control; screen planting or wall contained in an easement or otherwise protected by a restrictive covenant in a form acceptable to the decision maker along the rear or side property line; or such other treatment it deems necessary to adequately protect residential properties or afford separation of through and local traffic. Reverse frontage lots with suitable depth may also be considered an option for residential property that has arterial frontage. Where access for development abuts and connects for vehicular access to another jurisdiction's facility then authorization by that jurisdiction may be required.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.023 Same—Pedestrian and bicycle safety.

Where deemed necessary to ensure public safety, reduce traffic hazards and promote the welfare of pedestrians, bicyclists and residents of the subject area, the decision maker may require that local streets be so designed as to discourage their use by nonlocal automobile traffic.

The city engineer may require that crosswalks include a large vegetated or sidewalk area which extends into the street pavement as far as practicable to provide safer pedestrian crossing opportunities. These curb extensions can increase the visibility of pedestrians and provide a shorter crosswalk distance as well as encourage motorists to drive slower. The city engineer may approve an alternative design that achieves the same standard for constrained sites.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.024 Same—Half street.

Half streets, while generally not acceptable, may be approved where essential to the development, when in conformance with all other applicable requirements, and where it will not create a safety hazard. When approving half streets, the decision maker shall first determine that it will be practical to require the dedication of the other half of the street when the adjoining property is divided or developed. Where the decision maker approves a half street, the applicant shall construct a half street with at least twenty feet of pavement width and provide signage prohibiting street parking so as to make the half street safe until such time as the other half is constructed. Whenever a half street is adjacent to property capable of being divided or developed, the other half of the street shall be provided and improved when that adjacent property divides or develops. Access control may be required to preserve the objectives of half streets.

When the remainder of an existing half-street improvement is completed it shall include the following items: Dedication of required right-of-way, construction of the remaining portion of the street including pavement, curb and gutter, landscape strip, sidewalk, street trees, lighting and other improvements as required for that particular street. It shall also include at a minimum the pavement replacement to the centerline of the street. Any damage to the existing street shall be repaired in accordance with the city's "Pavement Cut Standards" or as approved by the city engineer.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.025 Same—Cul-de-sacs and dead-end streets.

The city discourages the use of cul-de-sacs and permanent dead-end streets except where construction of a through street is found by the decision maker to be impracticable due to topography or some significant physical constraint such as geologic hazards, wetland, natural or historic resource areas, pre-existing dedicated open space, pre-existing development patterns, arterial access restrictions or similar situation as determined by the decision maker. This section is not intended to preclude the use of curvilinear eyebrow widening of a street where needed.

- A. When permitted, access from new cul-de-sacs and permanent dead-end streets shall be limited to a maximum of twenty-five dwelling units.
- B. Cul-de-sacs and permanent dead-end streets shall include pedestrian/bicycle accessways to meet minimum block width standards as prescribed in OCMC 16.12.030.

- C. Cul-de-sacs shall have sufficient radius to provide adequate turn-around for emergency vehicles in accordance with fire district and city adopted street standards.
- D. Permanent dead-end streets shall provide public street right-of-way/easements sufficient to provide a sufficient amount of turn-around space complete with appropriate no-parking signs or markings to accommodate waste disposal, sweepers, emergency and other long vehicles in the form of a hammerhead or other design to be approved by the decision maker.
- E. In the case of dead-end stub streets that will connect to streets on adjacent sites in the future, notification that the street is planned for future extension shall be posted on the stub street until the street is extended and shall inform the public that the dead-end street may be extended in the future. A dead-end street shall include signage or barricade meeting Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.026 Same—Alleys.

Alleys with public access easements on private property shall be provided in the Park Place and South End concept plan areas for the following districts R-5, R-3.5, R-2, MUC-1, MUC-2 and NC zones unless other permanent provisions for private access to off-street parking and loading facilities are approved by the decision maker. All alleys intended to provide access for emergency vehicles shall be a minimum width of twenty feet. The corners of alley intersections shall have a radius of not less than ten feet and shall conform to standards approved by the city engineer. Access easements and maintenance agreements shall be recorded on affected properties.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.027 Same—Off-site street improvements.

During consideration of the preliminary plan for a development, the decision maker shall determine whether existing streets impacted by, adjacent to, or abutting the development meet the applicable design or dimensional requirements. Where such streets fail to meet these requirements, the decision-maker shall require the applicant to make proportional improvements sufficient to achieve conformance with minimum applicable design standards required to serve the proposed development.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.028 Same—Transit.

Streets shall be designed and laid out in a manner that promotes pedestrian and bicycle circulation. The applicant shall coordinate with transit agencies where the application impacts transit streets as identified in OCMC 17.04.1310. Pedestrian/bicycle access ways shall be provided as necessary to minimize the travel distance to transit streets and stops and neighborhood activity centers. The decision maker may require provisions, including easements, for transit facilities along transit streets where a need for bus stops, bus pullouts or other transit facilities within or adjacent to the development has been identified.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.029 Excavations—Restoration of pavement.

Whenever any excavation shall have been made in any pavement or other street improvement on any street or alley in the city for any purpose whatsoever under the permit granted by the engineer, it shall be the duty of the person making the excavation to restore the pavement in accordance with the city of Oregon City Public Works Pavement Cut Standards in effect at the time the permit is granted. The city commission may adopt and modify the city of Oregon City Public Works Pavement Cut Standards by resolution as necessary to implement the requirements of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.030 Blocks—Width.

The width of blocks shall ordinarily be sufficient to allow for two tiers of lots with depths consistent with the type of land use proposed. The length, width and shape of blocks shall take into account the need for adequate building site size, convenient motor vehicle, pedestrian, bicycle and transit access, control of traffic circulation, and limitations imposed by topography and other natural features.

All new streets shall be designed as local streets unless otherwise designated as arterials and collectors in the current adopted transportation system plan. The maximum block spacing between streets is five hundred thirty feet and the minimum block spacing between streets is one hundred fifty feet as measured between the right-of-way centerlines except in zones GI, CI, MUE, I, and WFDD where determining the appropriate street spacing will be determined by the city engineer. If the maximum block size is exceeded, pedestrian accessways shall be provided every three hundred thirty feet. The spacing standards within this section do not apply to alleys.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.031 Street design—Street names.

Except for extensions of existing streets, no street name shall be used which will duplicate or be confused with the name of an existing street. Street names shall conform to the established standards in the city and shall be subject to the approval of the city.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.032 Public off-street pedestrian and bicycle accessways.

Pedestrian/bicycle accessways are intended to provide direct, safe and convenient connections between residential areas, retail and office areas, institutional facilities, industrial parks, transit streets, neighborhood activity centers, rights-of-way, and pedestrian/bicycle accessways which minimize out-of-direction travel, and transit-orientated developments where public street connections for automobiles, bicycles and pedestrians are unavailable. Pedestrian/bicycle accessways are appropriate in areas where public street options are unavailable, impractical or inappropriate. Pedestrian and bicycle accessways are required through private property or as right-of-way connecting development to the right-of-way at intervals not exceeding three hundred thirty feet of frontage; or where the lack of street continuity creates inconvenient or out of direction travel patterns for local pedestrian or bicycle trips.

- A. Entry points shall align with pedestrian crossing points along adjacent streets and with adjacent street intersections.
- B. Accessways shall be free of horizontal obstructions and have a nine foot six inch high vertical clearance to accommodate bicyclists. To safely accommodate both pedestrians and bicycles, accessway right-of-way widths shall be as follows:
 1. Accessways shall have a fifteen-foot wide right-of-way with a seven-foot wide paved surface with a minimum four-foot planter strip on either side.
 2. If an accessway also provides secondary fire access, the right-of-way width shall be at least twenty-four feet wide with a sixteen-foot paved surface between four-foot planter strips on either side.
- C. Accessways shall be direct with at least one end point of the accessway always visible from any point along the accessway. On-street parking shall be prohibited within fifteen feet of the intersection of the accessway with public streets to preserve safe sight distance and promote safety.
- D. To enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety, accessways shall be lighted with pedestrian-scale lighting. Accessway lighting shall be to a minimum level of one-half-foot-candles, a one and one-half foot-candle average, and a maximum to minimum ratio of seven-to-one and shall be oriented not to shine upon adjacent properties. Street lighting shall be provided at both entrances.
- E. Accessways shall comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- F. The planter strips on either side of the accessway shall be landscaped along adjacent property by installation of the following:

1. Either an evergreen hedge screen of thirty to forty-two inches high or shrubs spaced no more than four feet apart on average;
 2. Ground cover covering one hundred percent of the exposed ground. No bark mulch shall be allowed except under the canopy of shrubs and within two feet of the base of trees;
 3. A two-inch minimum caliper tree for every thirty-five feet along the accessway. Trees may be planted on either side of the accessway, provided they are spaced no more than thirty-five feet apart; and
 4. In satisfying the requirements of this section, evergreen plant materials that grow over forty-two inches in height shall be avoided. All plant materials shall be selected from the Oregon City Native Plant List.
- G. Accessways shall be designed to prohibit unauthorized motorized traffic. Curbs and removable, lockable bollards are suggested mechanisms to achieve this.
- H. Accessway surfaces shall be paved with all-weather materials as approved by the city. Pervious materials are encouraged. Accessway surfaces shall be designed to drain stormwater runoff to the side or sides of the accessway. Minimum cross slope shall be two percent.
- I. In parks, greenways or other natural resource areas, accessways may be approved with a five-foot wide gravel path with wooden, brick or concrete edgings.
- J. The decision maker may approve an alternative accessway design due to existing site constraints through the modification process set forth in OCMC 16.12.013.
- K. Ownership, liability and maintenance of accessways. To ensure that all pedestrian/bicycle accessways will be adequately maintained over time, the city engineer shall require one of the following:
1. Dedicate the accessways to the public as public right-of-way prior to the final approval of the development; or
 2. The developer incorporates the accessway into a recorded easement or tract that specifically requires the property owner and future property owners to provide for the ownership, liability and maintenance of the accessway.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.033 Mobility standards.

Development shall demonstrate compliance with intersection mobility standards. When evaluating the performance of the transportation system, the city of Oregon City requires all intersections, except for the facilities identified in subsection E below, to be maintained at or below the following mobility standards during the two-hour peak operating conditions. The first hour has the highest weekday traffic volumes and the second hour is the next highest hour before or after the first hour. Except as provided otherwise below, this may require the installation of mobility improvements as set forth in the transportation system plan (TSP) or as otherwise identified by the city engineer.

- A. For intersections within the regional center, the following mobility standards apply:
1. During the first hour, a maximum v/c ratio of 1.10 shall be maintained. For signalized intersections, this standard applies to the intersection as a whole. For unsignalized intersections, this standard applies to movements on the major street. There is no performance standard for the minor street approaches.
 2. During the second hour, a maximum v/c ratio of 0.99 shall be maintained at signalized intersections. For signalized intersections, this standard applies to the intersection as a whole. For unsignalized intersections, this standard applies to movements on the major street. There is no performance standard for the minor street approaches.
 3. Intersections located on the regional center boundary shall be considered within the regional center.
- B. For intersections outside of the regional center but designated on the arterial and throughway network, as defined in the regional transportation plan, the following mobility standards apply:

1. During the first hour, a maximum v/c ratio of 0.99 shall be maintained. For signalized intersections, this standard applies to the intersection as a whole. For unsignalized intersections, this standard applies to movements on the major street. There is no performance standard for the minor street approaches.
 2. During the second hour, a maximum v/c ratio of 0.99 shall be maintained at signalized intersections. For signalized intersections, this standard applies to the intersection as a whole. For unsignalized intersections, this standard applies to movements on the major street. There is no performance standard for the minor street approaches.
- C. For intersections outside the boundaries of the regional center and not designated on the arterial and throughway network, as defined in the regional transportation plan, the following mobility standards apply:
1. For signalized intersections:
 - a. During the first hour, LOS "D" or better will be required for the intersection as a whole and no approach operating at worse than LOS "E" and a v/c ratio not higher than 1.0 for the sum of the critical movements.
 - b. During the second hour, LOS "D" or better will be required for the intersection as a whole and no approach operating at worse than LOS "E" and a v/c ratio not higher than 1.0 for the sum of the critical movements.
 2. For unsignalized intersections outside of the boundaries of the regional center:
 - a. For unsignalized intersections, during the peak hour, all movements serving more than twenty vehicles shall be maintained at LOS "E" or better. LOS "F" will be tolerated at movements serving no more than twenty vehicles during the peak hour.
- D. For the intersection of OR 213 and Beaver Creek Road, the following mobility standards apply:
1. During the first, second and third hours, a maximum v/c ratio of 1.00 shall be maintained. Calculation of the maximum v/c ratio will be based on an average annual weekday peak hour.
- E. Until the city adopts new performance measures that identify alternative mobility targets, the city shall exempt proposed development that is permitted, either conditionally, outright, or through detailed development master plan approval, from compliance with the above-referenced mobility standards for the following state-owned facilities:

I-205/OR 99E Interchange.

State intersections located within or on the regional center boundaries.

1. In the case of conceptual development approval for a master plan that impacts the above referenced intersections:
 - a. The form of mitigation will be determined at the time of the detailed development plan review for subsequent phases utilizing the code in place at the time the detailed development plan is submitted; and
 - b. Only those trips approved by a detailed development plan review are vested.
2. Development which does not comply with the mobility standards for the intersections identified in OCMC 16.12.033 shall provide for the improvements identified in the transportation system plan (TSP) in an effort to improve intersection mobility as necessary to offset the impact caused by development. Where required by other provisions of the code, the applicant shall provide a traffic impact study that includes an assessment of the development's impact on the intersections identified in this exemption and shall construct the intersection improvements listed in the TSP or required by the code.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.035 Driveways.

- A. All new development, redevelopment, and capital improvement projects shall meet the minimum driveway spacing standards identified in Table 16.12.035.A. Minor site plan and design review do not follow these standards unless a request is made to modify the driveway.

Table 16.12.035.A

Minimum Driveway Spacing Standards

Street Functional Classification	Minimum Driveway Spacing Standards	Distance
Major Arterial Streets	Minimum distance from a street corner to a driveway and between driveways for all uses other than detached single- family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and townhouses	175 feet
Minor Arterial Streets	Minimum distance from a street corner to a driveway and between driveways for all uses other than detached single-family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and townhouses	175 feet
Collector Streets	Minimum distance from a street corner to a driveway and between driveways for all uses other than detached single family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and townhouses	100 feet
Local Streets	Minimum distance from a street corner to a driveway and between driveways for all uses other than detached single family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and townhouses.	25 feet

1. When driveways are shared (combined), the minimum driveway spacing shall be 20 feet.
 2. All driveways, except for shared driveways, shall be placed a minimum of 5 feet from the property line.
 3. The distance from a street corner to a driveway is measured along the right-of-way from the edge of the intersection (on the same side of the road) right-of-way to the nearest portion of the driveway and the distance between driveways is measured at the nearest portions of the driveway at the right-of-way.
- B. All detached single—family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and townhouses shall have driveways which meet the minimum distance from a street corner standards except when the lot size is smaller than the minimum distance required. When minimum distance cannot be met due to lot size or due to the location of an overlay district, the driveway shall be located as far away from the intersection as possible, but no more than 5 feet to the neighboring property line, as approved by the city engineer.
- C. Nonresidential or multi-family residential use driveways that generate high traffic volumes as determined by a traffic analysis shall be treated as intersections and shall adhere to requirements of OCMC 16.12.020.
- D. For any detached single-family dwellings, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes, and townhouses or property

developed with an ADU with multiple frontages, only one driveway is allowed per street frontage classified as a local street and in no case shall more than two driveways (one per frontage), unless otherwise approved by the city engineer.

1. Two driveways shall never be granted for any property with only one frontage on a local road for any single-family detached residential property or property that contains an ADU unless required by Clackamas Fire District No. 1.
- E. Cluster housing properties may be granted more than one driveway per property and per frontage meeting the spacing standards. Driveways should be combined whenever possible to limit the number of driveways per property.
 1. Middle housing properties with only one building may be allowed one driveway for every two units, provided that spacing standards and/or driveway width requirements are met.
 2. Middle housing properties with more than one structure shall meet the cluster housing standards.
- F. Townhouses shall have one driveway approach for every two dwelling units (round up for townhouse structures with an odd number of dwellings).
- G. Driveways on collectors or arterials shall be provided in such a way that no backing of a vehicle will occur from the driveway to the collector or arterial.
- H. When a property fronts multiple roads, access shall be provided from and limited to the road with the lowest classification in the transportation system plan to minimize points of access to arterials and collectors. Access shall not be provided on arterial or collector roads unless there is no other alternative. At the discretion of the city engineer, properties fronting a collector or arterial road may be allowed a second driveway, for the creation of a circulation pattern that eliminates reverse maneuvers for vehicles exiting a property if applied for and granted through procedures in OCMC 16.12.013. All lots proposed with a driveway and lot orientation on a collector or minor arterial shall combine driveways into one joint access per two or more lots unless the city engineer determines that:
 1. No driveway access may be allowed since the driveway(s) would cause a significant traffic safety hazard; or
 2. Allowing a single driveway access per lot will not cause a significant traffic safety hazard.
- I. All driveway approaches shall be limited to the dimensions identified in Table 16.12.035.D.

Table 16.12.035.D

**Driveway Approach Size
Standards**

Property Use	Minimum Driveway Approach Width		Maximum Driveway Approach Width
Single-Family Detached and Duplexes	10 feet		24 feet
Townhouses	10 feet		24 feet
Triplexes, Quadplexes and Cottage Clusters	10 feet		36 feet
Multi-Family	18 feet		30 feet
Commercial, Industrial, Office, Institutional, Mixed Use, and/or Nonresidential	One-Way 12 feet	Two-Way 20 feet	40 feet

1. Shared driveways for middle housing structures shall be minimum 18 feet and maximum 36

- feet except when section J.4.a applies.
2. Driveway widths shall match the width of the driveway approach where the driveway meets sidewalk or property line but may be widened onsite (for example between the property line and the entrance to a garage). Groups of more than four parking spaces shall be so located and served by driveways so that their use will not require backing movements or other maneuvering within a street right-of-way other than an alley.
- J. The city engineer reserves the right to require a reduction in the number and size of driveway approaches as far as practicable for any of the following purposes:
1. To provide adequate space for on-street parking;
 2. To facilitate street tree planting requirements;
 3. To assure pedestrian and vehicular safety by limiting vehicular access points; and
 4. To assure that adequate sight distance requirements are met.
 - a. Where the decision maker determines any of these situations exist or may occur due to the approval of a proposed development for non-residential uses or attached or multi-family housing, a shared driveway shall be required and limited to twenty-four feet in width adjacent to the sidewalk or property line.

K. For all driveways, the following standards apply:

2. Each new or redeveloped curb cut shall have an approved concrete approach or asphalted street connection where there is no concrete curb and a minimum hard surface for at least ten feet back into the property as measured from the current edge of sidewalk or street pavement to provide for controlling gravel tracking onto the public street. The hard surface may be concrete, asphalt, or other surface approved by the city engineer.
3. Any driveway approach built within public right-of-way shall be built and permitted per city requirements as approved by the city engineer.
4. No driveway with a slope of greater than fifteen percent shall be permitted without approval of the city engineer.

L. Exceptions. The city engineer reserves the right to waive these standards or not allow driveway access, if the driveway(s) would cause a significant traffic safety hazard. Narrower or wider driveway widths may be considered where field conditions preclude use of recommended widths. When larger vehicles and trucks will be the predominant users of a particular driveway, turning templates may be utilized to develop a driveway width that can safely and expeditiously accommodate the prevalent type of ingress and egress traffic.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.065 Building site—Grading.

Grading of building sites shall conform to the state of Oregon Structural Specialty Code, Title 18, any approved grading plan and any approved residential lot grading plan in accordance with the requirements of OCMC 13.12, 15.48, 16.12 and the public works stormwater and grading design standards, and the erosion control requirements of OCMC 17.47.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.085 Easements.

The following shall govern the location, improvement and layout of easements:

- A. Utilities. Utility easements shall be required where necessary as determined by the city engineer. Insofar as practicable, easements shall be continuous and aligned from block-to-block within the development and with adjoining subdivisions or partitions.
1. Specific public utility easements for water, sanitary or storm drainage shall be provided based on approved final engineering plans conforming to the requirements found within the applicable design standards.
 2. Conveyance of public utility easements for gas, electric, telecommunication, and fiberoptic shall be required where necessary as determined by the city engineer. The city engineer will require the easement unless it is found that the utility can be placed in a different location or can be placed in a smaller easement than what is required. The easement shall be located adjacent to all public rights-of-way or public access easements within private property. In the event that the provision of a public utility easement would create a conflict with achieving compliance with another part of the code, the location and width may be adjusted by the city engineer.
 - a. The easement shall be ten feet in the R-10, R-8, R-6, R-5, R-3.5, R-2, GI, and CI zones.
 - b. The easement shall be a minimum of five feet in the NC, HC, I, C, MUC-1, MUC-2, MUE, MUD, and WFDD zones.
 - i. The applicant shall obtain a written determination from all utilities that the minimum five-foot PUE coupled with use of a minimum of a five-foot area under the public sidewalk or parkway area is sufficient to serve the development. Where the minimum width is deemed inadequate, a modification shall be required.
 - c. An applicant may seek a modification to the public utility easement dedication requirement using OCMC 16.12.013.
- B. Unusual Facilities. Easements for unusual facilities such as high voltage electric transmission lines, drainage channels and stormwater detention facilities shall be adequately sized for their intended purpose, including any necessary maintenance roads. These easements shall be shown to scale on the preliminary and final plats or maps. If the easement is for drainage channels, stormwater detention facilities or related purposes, the easement shall comply with the requirements of the public works stormwater and grading design standards.
- C. Watercourses. Where a development is traversed or bounded by a watercourse, drainageway, channel or stream, a stormwater easement or drainage right-of-way shall be provided which conforms substantially to the line of such watercourse, drainageway, channel or stream and is of a sufficient width to allow construction, maintenance and control for the purpose as required by the responsible agency. For those subdivisions or partitions which are bounded by a stream of established recreational value, setbacks or easements may be required to prevent impacts to the water resource or to accommodate pedestrian or bicycle paths.
- D. Access. When easements are used to provide vehicular access to lots within a development, the construction standards, but not necessarily width standards, for the easement shall meet city specifications. The minimum width of the easement shall be twenty feet. The easements shall be improved and recorded by the applicant and inspected by the city engineer. Access easements may also provide for utility placement.
- E. Resource Protection. Easements or other protective measures may also be required as the community development director deems necessary to ensure compliance with applicable review criteria protecting any unusual significant natural feature or features of historic significance.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.090 Minimum improvements—Procedures.

In addition to other requirements, improvements installed by the applicant either as a requirement of these or other regulations, or at the applicant's option, shall conform to the requirements of this title and be designed to city specifications and standards as set out in the city's facility master plan and public works stormwater and grading design standards. The improvements shall be installed in accordance with the following procedure:

- A. Improvement work shall not commence until construction plans have been reviewed and approved by the city engineer and to the extent that improvements are located in county or state right-of-way, they shall be approved by the responsible authority. To the extent necessary for evaluation of the proposal, the plans may be required before approval of the preliminary plat of a subdivision or partition. Expenses incurred thereby shall be borne by the applicant and paid for prior to final plan review.
- B. Improvements shall be constructed under the inspection and approval of the city engineer. Expenses incurred thereby shall be borne by the applicant and paid prior to final approval. Where required by the city engineer or other city decision-maker, the applicant's project engineer also shall inspect construction.
- C. Erosion control or resource protection facilities or measures are required to be installed in accordance with the requirements of OCMC 17.47, 17.49 and the public works erosion and sediment control standards.
- D. Underground utilities, waterlines, sanitary sewers and storm drains installed in streets shall be constructed prior to the surfacing of the streets. Stubs for service connections for underground utilities, such as, storm, water and sanitary sewer shall be placed beyond the ten-foot wide public utility easement within private property as defined in OCMC 16.12.85.A.2.
- E. As-built construction plans and digital copies of as-built drawings shall be filed with the city engineer upon completion of the improvements.
- F. The city engineer may regulate the hours of construction and access routes for construction equipment to minimize impacts on adjoining residences or neighborhoods.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.095 Same—Public facilities and services.

The following minimum improvements shall be required of all applicants for a development, unless the decision-maker determines that any such improvement is not proportional to the impact imposed on the city's public systems and facilities:

- A. **Transportation System.** Applicants and all subsequent lot owners shall be responsible for improving the city's planned level of service on all public streets, including alleys within the development and those portions of public streets adjacent to but only partially within development. Applicants are responsible for designing and providing adequate vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian access to their developments and for accommodating future access to neighboring undeveloped properties that are suitably zoned for future development. Storm drainage facilities shall be installed and connected to off-site natural or man-made drainageways. Upon completion of the street improvement survey, the applicant shall reestablish and protect monuments of the type required by ORS 92.060 in monument boxes with covers at every public street intersection and all points of curvature and points of tangency of their center line, and at such other points as directed by the city engineer.
- B. **Stormwater Drainage System.** Applicants shall design and install drainage facilities within a development and shall connect the development's drainage system to the appropriate downstream storm drainage system as a minimum requirement for providing services to the applicant's development. The applicant shall obtain county or state approval when appropriate. Applicants are

responsible for extending the appropriate storm drainage system to the development site and for providing for the connection of upgradient properties to that system. The applicant shall design the drainage facilities in accordance with city drainage master plan requirements, OCMC 13.12 and the public works stormwater and grading design standards.

- C. Sanitary Sewer System. The applicant shall design and install a sanitary sewer system to serve all lots or parcels within a development in accordance with the city's sanitary sewer design standards, and shall connect those lots or parcels to the city's sanitary sewer system, except where connection is required to the county sanitary sewer system as approved by the county. Applicants are responsible for extending the city's sanitary sewer system to the development site and through the applicant's property to allow for the future connection of neighboring undeveloped properties that are suitably zoned for future development. The applicant shall obtain all required permits and approvals from all affected jurisdictions prior to final approval and prior to commencement of construction. Design shall be approved by the city engineer before construction begins.
- D. Water System. The applicant shall design and install a water system to serve all lots or parcels within a development in accordance with the city public works water system design standards, and shall connect those lots or parcels to the city's water system. Applicants are responsible for extending the city's water system to the development site and through the applicant's property to allow for the future connection of neighboring undeveloped properties that are suitably zoned for future development.
- E. Street Trees. Refer to OCMC 12.08, Street Trees.
- F. Bench Marks. At least one bench mark shall be located within the subdivision boundaries using datum plane specified by the city engineer.
- G. Other Utilities. The applicant shall make all necessary arrangements with utility companies or other affected parties for the installation of underground lines and facilities. All new utilities shall be placed underground unless the respective franchise agreements allow otherwise or unless it is physically or technically impossible to comply with applicable standards. Existing electrical lines and other wires, including but not limited to telecommunication, street lighting and fiberoptic, shall be relocated underground.
 - 1. Exemptions to relocation of existing overhead utilities to underground for property development as follows (Only one exemption criteria is required to be exempt from this requirement):
 - a. No transmission or feeder lines shall be relocated underground unless approved by the city engineer.
 - b. Properties with less than one acre of land area shall not be required to relocate existing overhead utilities unless required by the franchise utility.
 - c. Properties with less than two hundred feet of frontage on any individual roadway shall not be required to relocate existing overhead utilities unless required by the franchise utility.
 - d. Land divisions with five or fewer subdivided lots shall not be required to relocate existing overhead utilities unless required by the franchise utility.
 - 2. The exemptions in G.1. do not apply if properties within the same block were required to relocate the overhead utilities within the past ten years. In those cases, the existing overhead utilities shall be relocated underground.
 - 3. When any franchise utility (electric, gas, telecommunication, fiberoptic, street lighting or similar utility) is installed along an existing or new roadway, the utility shall be installed within the existing or proposed public utility easement unless it is physically or technically impossible.
 - 4. These requirements do not apply to work by a franchise utility for improvement, repair, alteration or addition to their existing systems.

- H. Oversizing of Facilities. All facilities and improvements shall be designed to city standards as set out in the city's facility master plan, public works design standards, or other city ordinances or regulations. Compliance with facility design standards shall be addressed during final engineering. A development may be required to modify or replace existing offsite systems if necessary to provide adequate public facilities. The city may require oversizing of facilities to meet standards in the city's facility master plan or to allow for orderly and efficient development. Where oversizing is required, the applicant may request reimbursement from the city for oversizing based on the city's reimbursement policy and funds available, or provide for recovery of costs from intervening properties as they develop.
- I. Erosion Control Plan—Mitigation. The applicant shall be responsible for complying with all applicable provisions of OCMC 17.47 with regard to erosion control.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.100 Same—Road standards and requirements.

- A. The creation of a public street and the resultant separate land parcels shall be in conformance with requirements for subdivisions or partitions and the applicable street design standards of this chapter. However, the decision-maker may approve the creation of a public street to be established by deed without full compliance with the regulations applicable to subdivisions or partitions where any of the following conditions exist:
 - 1. The establishment of the public street is initiated by the city commission and is declared essential for the purpose of general traffic circulation and the partitioning of land is an incidental effect rather than the primary objective of the street;
 - 2. The tract in which the street is to be dedicated is within an isolated ownership either not over one acre or of such size and characteristics as to make it impossible to develop building sites for more than three dwelling units.
- B. For any public street created pursuant to subsection A of this section, a copy of a preliminary plan and the proposed deed shall be submitted to the community development director and city engineer at least ten days prior to any public hearing scheduled for the matter. The plan, deed and any additional information the applicant may submit shall be reviewed by the decision-maker and, if not in conflict with the standards of Title 16 and Title 17, may be approved with appropriate conditions.
- C. The design and construction of public streets shall be per the standards found in this chapter and the most recent version of any city design and construction standards.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019; Ord. No. 21-1007, § 1(Exh. A), 4-21-2021)

16.12.105 Same—Timing requirements.

- A. Prior to applying for final plat approval, the applicant shall either complete construction of all public improvements required as part of the preliminary plat approval or guarantee the construction of those improvements. Whichever option the applicant elects shall be in accordance with OCMC 17.50.140.
- B. Construction. The applicant shall construct the public improvements according to approved final engineering plans and all applicable requirements of this code, and under the supervision of the city engineer. Under this option, the improvement shall be complete and accepted by the city engineer prior to final plat approval.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.110 Public improvements—Financial guarantees.

- A. To ensure construction of required public improvements, the applicant shall provide the city with a performance guarantee in accordance with OCMC 17.50.140.
- B. After satisfactory completion of required public improvements and facilities, all public improvements not constructed by the city, shall be maintained and under warranty provided by the property owner or developer constructing the facilities until the city accepts the improvements at the end of the warranty period as prescribed in OCMC 17.50.141.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.120 Waiver of remonstrance.

The review authority may require a property owner to sign a waiver of remonstrance against the formation of and participation in a local improvement district where it deems such a waiver necessary to provide needed improvements reasonably related to the impacts created by the proposed development. To ensure compliance with this chapter, the review authority may require an applicant to sign or accept a legal and enforceable covenant, contract, dedication, easement, performance guarantee, or other document, which shall be approved in form by the city attorney.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)

16.12.125 Violation—Penalty.

Any act or omission in violation of this chapter shall be deemed a nuisance. Violation of any provision of this chapter is subject to the code enforcement procedures of OCMC 1.16, 1.20 and 1.24.

(Ord. No. 18-1009, § 1(Exh. A), 7-3-2019; Ord. No. 19-1008, § 1(Exh. A), 12-18-2019)