



**City of Bainbridge Island**  
**Public Works Department**  
**280 Madison Ave. N., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110**  
**Phone 206.842.2016 Fax 206.780.3710**

Permit Number: _____
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## ROAD APPROACH APPLICATION

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print

Project Address or Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Road to be Approached: \_\_\_\_\_ Nearest Cross Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Lot Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Project: (Constructing new driveway, widening existing driveway, or relocating approach)  
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Is this an existing approach? \_\_\_\_\_ How many residences will this approach serve? \_\_\_\_\_  
 12" culvert pipe material: Corrugated Metal or Smooth Wall Polyethylene \_\_\_\_\_

*All work must be performed to the City of Bainbridge Island road construction standards and the BIMC 20.04 Fire Code. All material must meet W.S.D.O.T. standards and specifications.*

*These special conditions must be complied with:*  
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*Nothing in any construction shall infringe the City's right to conduct any necessary maintenance within the right-of-way, nor require the City to provide any maintenance or service other than that required by law or City Policy.*

*I hereby certify that I am the owner of real property served by the above referenced approach, or that I am authorized by said owner to make these improvements in their interest. I understand I am bound by all conditions of this application.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant's signature or authorized representative Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant's mailing address City State Zip Code

Approved - Engineering Division	Inspected - Engineering
Date	Date
Approval Expires: _____	

***\*Public Works must be notified on completion for final inspection. Driveways must be flagged for approval.***

**Attach a sketch of the proposed work.**

## **City of Bainbridge Island Road Approach Application Procedures**

Any connection to be made to a public roadway requires approval from the Public Works / Engineering Department. The following are the steps for this procedure:

1. All new and relocated road approaches to public roads shall be constructed in accordance with the most current edition of the City of Bainbridge Island Design and Construction Standards and Specifications, the BIMC Fire Code Chapter 20.04, and the most current edition of the WSDOT/APWA Standard Plans and Specifications.
2. All road approach construction requires the issuance of a Right-of-Way Permit authorizing construction within the public right-of-way.
3. A construction plan prepared in accordance with the standards outlined in the above-mentioned documents must be provided to the City for review and approval prior to issuance. Plan should include: existing conditions; geometry of driveway approach; material specifications; culvert locations; and adjacent access points or streets (if necessary).
4. Driveway locations must be flagged to allow inspection prior to a right-of-way permit approval.
5. Driveways should be situated with consideration of traffic safety, good construction practice, proper stormwater drainage, and utility locations.
6. Driveways adjacent to paved roads must be paved within the public right-of-way in accordance with City Standards for the roadway classification.
7. Driveways adjacent to public gravel roads must be graveled within the public right-of-way to meet the gravel base in accordance with the standards for the roadway classification.
8. Driveways across existing or proposed sidewalks must be constructed with a concrete apron in accordance with City Standards.
9. The applicant is required to notify Public Works/ Engineering at the completion of construction.
10. Nothing in this construction shall infringe the City's right to conduct any necessary maintenance within the right of way, nor require the City to provide any maintenance or service other than that required by law or City policy.

## BAINBRIDGE ISLAND MUNICIPAL CODE

### 20.04 - FIRE CODE

#### 20.04.080 AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 503.

##### EXCEPTIONS:

1. The width may be reduced in residential areas consisting of only single-family homes, providing the width is consistent with public works street standards and not less than a 12 foot wide drivable surface.

2. Public streets shall be in accordance with Public Works Department street standards.

**503.2.2 Authority.** The fire code official shall have the authority to require an increase in the minimum access widths where they are inadequate for fire or rescue operations.

**503.2.3 Surface.** Fire apparatus access roads shall be designed and maintained to support the imposed loads of fire apparatus and shall be surfaced so as to provide all-weather driving capabilities. (See also Appendix D Section D102.1.)

**503.2.4 Turning radius.** The required turning radius of a fire apparatus access road shall be determined by the fire code official.

**503.2.5 Dead ends.** Dead-end fire apparatus access roads in excess of 150 feet in length shall be provided with an approved area for turning around fire apparatus.

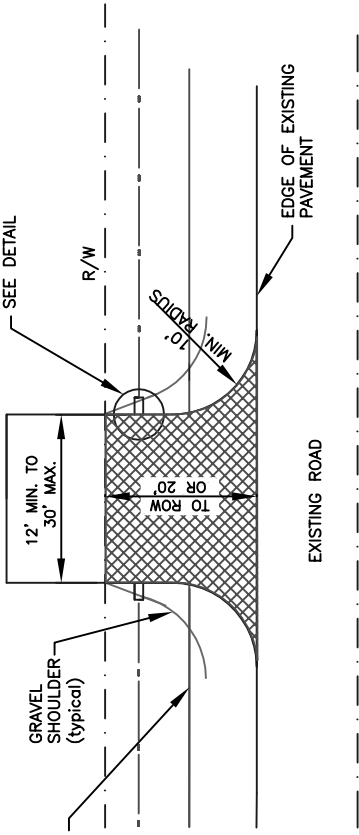
**503.2.6 Bridges and elevated surfaces.** Where a bridge or an elevated surface is part of a fire apparatus access road, the bridge shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with AASHTO Standard Specification for Highway Bridges HB-17. Bridges and elevated surfaces shall be designed for a live load sufficient to carry the imposed loads of fire apparatus. Vehicle load limits shall be posted at both entrances to bridges when required by the fire code official. Where elevated surfaces designed for emergency vehicle use are adjacent to surfaces which are not designed for such use, approved barriers, approved signs or both shall be installed and maintained when required by the fire code official.

**503.2.7 Grade.** The grade of the fire apparatus access road shall be based on the fire department apparatus and be within the limits established by the fire code official.

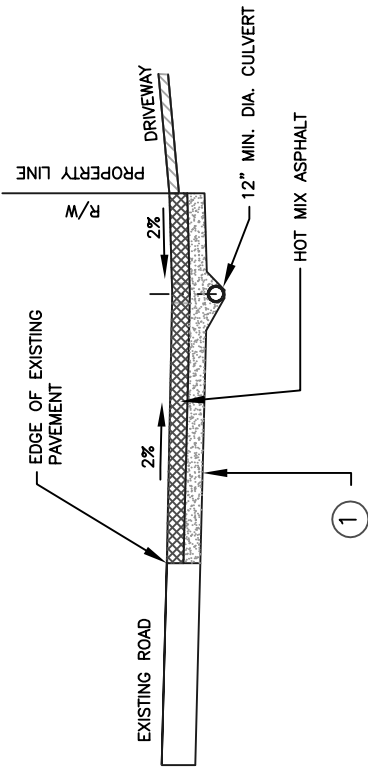
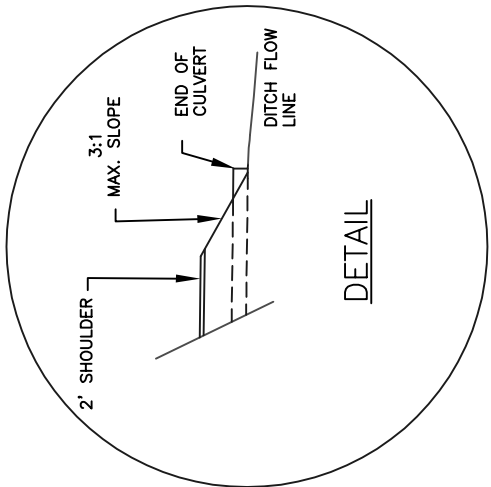
**503.2.7.1 Public Fire Apparatus Access Roadways.** The grade of public fire apparatus access roads shall be in accordance with Public Works Department Standards but shall not exceed the limits set forth in 503.2.7.2.

**503.2.7.2 Private Fire Apparatus Access Roadways.** The grade of existing private fire apparatus access roads shall not exceed 12%.

- Exception: Private fire apparatus access roads where grades are greater than 12% but not exceeding 15% shall be paved, or in lieu of paving, shall have an automatic fire sprinkler system installed in any new structure. Grades exceeding 15% will require the fire apparatus access road to be paved, all new structures to be equipped with automatic fire sprinkler systems, and special approval by the fire code official.



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- 3) CULVERT PIPE SHALL BE SIZED TO ACCOMMODATE DITCH FLOWS BUT IN NO CASE BE SMALLER THAN 12 INCHES IN DIAMETER.
- 4) CULVERT COVER DEPTHS LESS THAN 12" REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE ENGINEER
- 5) A DRIVEWAY CULVERT HEADWALL, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE ENGINEER, MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF THE 3 : 1 SIDESLOPE.
- 6) PAVEMENT IN THE RIGHT OF WAY SHALL BE DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ROADWAY STANDARDS FOR THE EXISTING ROAD.
- ① SUBGRADE SHALL BE PLACED AND COMPACTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-03.3(14)C OF THE WSDOT/APWA SPECIFICATIONS (METHOD B) SURFACING MATERIALS SHALL BE COMPACTED TO 95% OF MAXIMUM DENSITY (MODIFIED PROCTOR).

See Text Section 8-10



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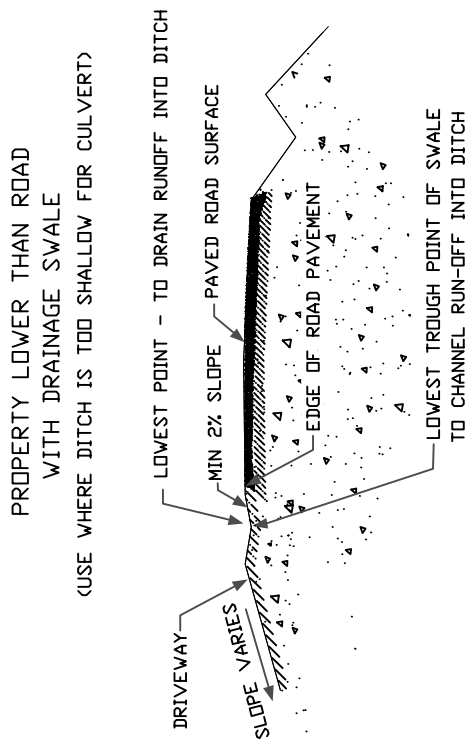
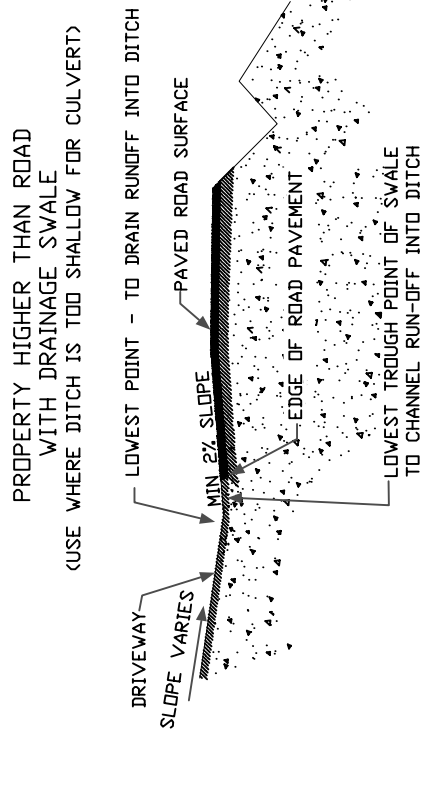
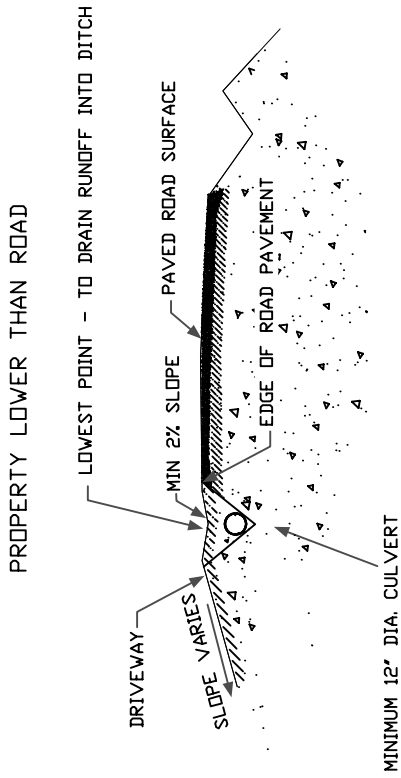
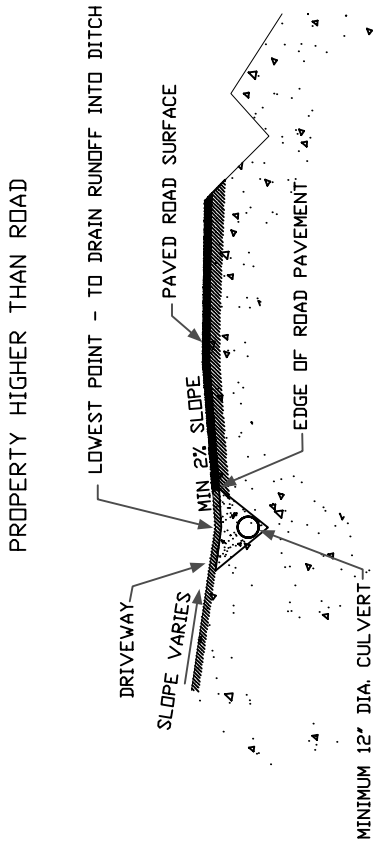
RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY  
APPROACH - ASPHALT

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APPROVED CITY ENGINEER

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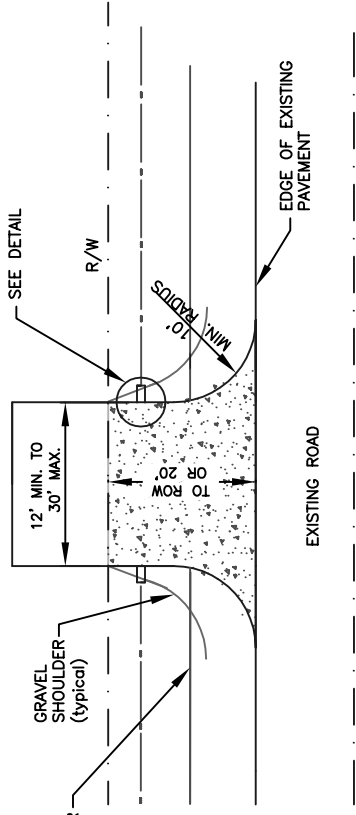
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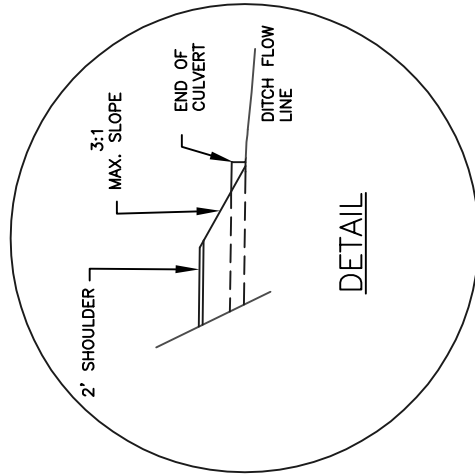
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DRIVEWAY APPROACHES

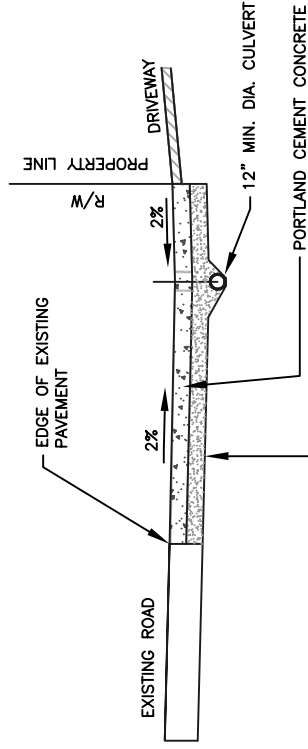
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RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY  
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# City of Bainbridge Island

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### ROAD APPROACH APPLICATION – AVOIDING COMMON ERRORS

The following are common errors that have resulted in reconstruction or modifications of newly constructed road approaches:

- Driveway widths not adequate (12-foot minimum for residential driveways).
- Missing radius at driveway intersection with roadway.
- Unauthorized reduction of roadway and roadway shoulder widths. Note that 5-foot minimum width shoulders are required at many locations.
- Shoulders not widened to standard widths at new driveway locations.
- Locating the cross culvert too close to the roadway such that the roadway embankment slope is not maintained for supporting the road edge. Note that the ditch may need to be located further back from the roadway to accommodate the culvert.
- Culverts not long enough to maintain driveway embankment slope.
- Cover on culverts is less than 12-inches. Note that ductile iron or HDPE must be used for culverts without 12-inches of cover.
- Ditches downstream of the culvert are not profiled to gravity drain.
- Not using acceptable culvert pipe per Standards such as substituting water or sewer pipe for culvert pipe.

Note that the above errors can and have resulted in expensive reconstructions or modifications. Please be familiar with the City's Design and Construction Standards to avoid unnecessary reworking of road approaches. Refer to Section 7 drawings for minimum shoulder widths and embankment slopes to be maintained. Also, refer to Section 8 Drawing Number 8-175R showing driveway approaches.

See link below to view the Design & Construction Standards:

<http://www.bainbridgewa.gov/169/Design-Construction-Standards>

The City recommends that driveway culverts be inspected prior to paving to avoid more costly reconstructions.

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