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CONSTRUCTION

§ 98.01 PERMIT REQUIRED.

The construction of concrete curbs or sidewalks on municipal property by persons or groups other than the municipality shall be expressly prohibited except with the specific written consent of the Board of Trustees, on conformity with the Board's requirements. The Board may require a performance bond equal to the estimated cost of construction.

('79 Code, § 94.01) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40; Am. Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.02 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT.

Any person, firm, or corporation desiring to construct a sidewalk within the municipality shall make a written application which shall be filed with the Director of Community Development, and shall contain the following information: Name and address of applicant, the legal description of the real estate adjacent to the proposed sidewalk, and such other information as the Clerk or the President and Board of Trustees shall require.

('79 Code, § 94.02) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40; Am. Ord. 1147, passed 6-7-82)

§ 98.03 FEES.

A permit issued by the Director of Community Development shall be required before any person, firm, or corporation may construct a sidewalk. Before any work is begun on the construction of the sidewalk, the Village Engineer shall set stakes fixing the location and grades of the sidewalk. All costs are to be paid by the applicant.

('79 Code, § 94.03) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40; Am. Ord. 1147, passed 6-7-82)

§ 98.04 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

CONTRACTOR. The party or parties contracting to do any work described in this chapter, or authorized representative of such party or parties.

ENGINEER. The Village Engineer or other person appointed by the municipality to oversee construction.

('79 Code, § 94.04) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40)

§ 98.05 CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS TO CONFORM.

All sidewalks constructed within the municipality shall conform to the regulations of this chapter.

('79 Code, § 94.05) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.06 SIDEWALKS BUILT 12 INCHES FROM PROPERTY LINE.

The side of the sidewalk adjacent to the street line of the private property shall be placed 12 inches distant therefrom and parallel to the street line as measured toward the center line of said street.

('79 Code, § 94.06) (Ord. 308, passed 8-5-40) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.07 ADOPTION OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SIDEWALK SPECIFICATIONS.

Sections 98.08 and 98.09 contain excerpts from the Illinois Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Section 624, Portland Cement Sidewalks, adopted July 3, 1973, and subsequent revisions thereto. The excerpts describe specifications for cement content and construction requirements for the city's sidewalks.

('79 Code, § 94.07)

§ 98.08 PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

(A) *Description.* This work shall consist of portland cement concrete sidewalk and sidewalk aprons constructed in one course on a prepared subgrade. This item shall apply to sidewalk and sidewalk aprons placed on earth or other subgrade, but shall not apply to sidewalk that is integrally a part of a structure.

(B) *Materials.* Materials shall meet the requirements of the following articles of Section 700 - Materials.

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<i>Item</i>	<i>Article</i>
Portland Cement	701.01 - 701.05
Concrete Admixtures	718.01
Water	702.01, 702.02
Fine Aggregate	703.02
Coarse Aggregate	704.02
Preformed Expansion Joint Filler	715.01 - 715.10

(C) *Equipment.* Equipment shall meet the requirements of the following articles of Section 800 - Equipment.

<i>Item</i>	<i>Article</i>
Concrete Mixers	803.01
Batching and Weighing Equipment	803.02, 803.03
Membrane Curing Equipment	801.09(b)

('79 Code, § 94.08) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.09 PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS.

(A) *General.* The sidewalk and sidewalk aprons shall be constructed of Class X concrete mixed in accordance with the requirements of the applicable paragraphs of Section 504.

(B) *Subgrade preparation.* The subgrade shall be tamped or rolled until thoroughly compacted. At locations where sidewalk is constructed at entrances, the sidewalk shall be thickened to the thickness of the adjacent entrance or driveway pavement. This work shall be considered as incidental, and no additional compensation will be allowed.

(C) *Forms.* Side forms shall be of lumber of not less than two-inch nominal thickness or of steel of equal rigidity. They shall be held securely in place by stakes or braces, with the top edges true to line and grade. Forms for the sidewalk aprons shall be set so that the slab will have a uniform fall between the sidewalk proper and the curb grade.

(D) *Placing and finishing.*

(1) The subgrade shall be moistened just before the concrete is placed. The concrete shall be placed in successive batches for the entire width of the slab, struck off, mechanically vibrated, and finished to a true and even surface with floats and trowels. The final troweling shall be done with a steel trowel, leaving a smooth, even surface. After the water sheen has disappeared, the surface shall be

given a final finish by brushing with a whitewash brush. The brush shall be drawn across the sidewalk at right angles to the edges of the walk, with adjacent strokes slightly overlapping, producing a uniform, slightly roughened surface with parallel brush marks.

(2) The surface shall be divided by grooves constructed at right angles to the center line of the sidewalk. These grooves shall extend to one-fourth the depth of the sidewalk, shall be not less than one-eighth inch and not more than one-fourth inch in width, and shall be edged with an edging tool having a one-fourth inch radius. No slab shall be longer than five feet nor less than four feet on any one side, unless otherwise ordered by the Engineer. The edges of the slabs shall be edged as described above.

(E) (1) *Expansion joints.* Expansion joints of the thickness specified below shall consist of preformed joint filler. The top of the joint shall be placed $\frac{1}{4}$ inch below the surface of the sidewalk.

(2) *Three-fourths inch thick expansion joints.* Expansion joints $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick shall be placed between the sidewalk and all structures, such as light standards, traffic light standards, traffic poles, and subway columns which extend through the sidewalk, and shall be placed at intervals of not more than 50 feet in the sidewalk. Where the sidewalk is constructed adjacent to pavement or curb having expansion joints, the expansion joints in the sidewalk shall be placed opposite the existing expansion joints as nearly as practicable. Expansion joints shall also be placed where the sidewalk abuts existing sidewalks, between driveway pavement and sidewalk, and between sidewalk and curbs where the sidewalk abuts a curb.

(F) *Curing and protection.* Curing and protection shall be in accordance with Article 625.01.

(G) *Backfill.* After the concrete has been cured, the spaces along the edges of the sidewalk shall be backfilled to the required elevation with approved material. The material shall then be compacted until firm, and the surface neatly graded.

(H) *Disposal of surplus material.* Surplus or waste material resulting from the sidewalk construction operations shall be disposed of by the contractor, at his/her own expense.

(I) *Method of measurement.* Portland cement concrete sidewalk shall be measured in place, and the area shall be computed in square feet.
('79 Code, § 94.09) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.10 CONCRETE MIXTURE REQUIREMENTS.

All concrete used in sidewalk shall be ready mix, which is known as six bag mix, and shall be air-entrained.

('79 Code, § 94.10) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.11 MINIMUM THICKNESS OF CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Minimum thickness of concrete sidewalk shall be as follows:

(A) Across driveways, seven inches.

(B) Other sidewalks except across driveways, five inches.

('79 Code, § 94.11) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.12 REQUIREMENT OF ALL SIDEWALKS TO BE PLACED ON A TWO-INCH CUSHION.

All sidewalks shall be placed on a two-inch cushion of State Gradation CA-6 aggregate, thoroughly tamped in place. This cushion is not included in the thicknesses stated in § 98.11.

('79 Code, § 94.12) Penalty, see § 98.99

MAINTENANCE**§ 98.25 OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY.**

All property owners shall be held responsible for the maintenance of such conditions as to prevent the destruction of municipal installations in front of their property. Protection of municipal property shall include the prevention of the destruction due to vehicular use of private drives crossing curbs and sidewalks.

('79 Code, § 94.25) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54)

§ 98.26 PRIVATE DRIVES.

Where curbs, gutters, or sidewalks are installed, such installations shall not be crossed or used as private drives unless the portions of the drive between the sidewalk and curb or gutter are paved and maintained smooth and level with such surfaces. Such paving shall consist of at least six inches of crushed stone (road-mix), or crushed stone with asphalt surfaces, or not less than seven inches thickness of concrete. The sidewalk for the width of the driveway use shall be considered as part of the driveway, and shall be maintained by the property owner to serve in every way as a driveway as well as a sidewalk, conforming in appearance to the remainder of the sidewalk in the area.

('79 Code, § 94.26) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

§ 98.35 UNLAWFUL FOR VEHICLE, FIVE TONS OR OVER, TO CROSS GUTTERS.

No vehicle with the gross weight of five tons or more will be allowed to use such driveways or otherwise cross over gutters or sidewalks.

(‘79 Code, § 94.30) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.36 PARKING BETWEEN CURB OR GUTTER AND THE SIDEWALK.

No parking shall be allowed between the gutter or curb and the sidewalk on streets with concrete gutters.

(‘79 Code, § 94.31) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.37 BURNING RUBBISH ON SIDEWALKS, GUTTERS PROHIBITED.

No leaves, rubbish, or other debris shall be disposed of, burned, or incinerated on paved surfaces, sidewalks, gutters, parkways, or other municipal property.

(‘79 Code, § 94.32) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.38 OBSTRUCTING FLOW IN GUTTERS PROHIBITED.

No property owner shall interfere or obstruct the flow in gutters or sewer-intakes.

(‘79 Code, § 94.33) (Ord. 427, passed 10-4-54) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.39 OBSTRUCTIONS PROHIBITED.

It shall be unlawful to place any encroachments or obstructions on any sidewalk, street, or other public right-of-way with the following exceptions:

(A) *Irrigation systems.* Allow the installation of private lawn sprinkling systems within the village parkway/right-of-way for both residential and commercial properties, under the following provisions:

(1) Contractor of homeowner shall secure a permit. Cost of the permit shall be set in the fee schedule. An inspection of the piping and connections are required, prior to backfill in the right-of-way.

(2) To secure a permit, a set of plans shall be submitted to the Building Department reflecting the location of sprinkler heads and the required reduced pressure zone (RPZ) valve.

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(3) Lawn sprinkler systems are allowed only once under the public sidewalk, installed parallel to and within six inches of the back of the public sidewalk, and either one-way or half circle sprinkler heads should be used in this area.

(4) The Illinois Department of Public Health requires that a licensed plumber supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems and make the physical connection between the sprinkler system and the RPZ to prevent contamination of drinking water supplies. A yearly certification of the RPZ value by a state licensed plumber is also required. A written statement of this test shall be submitted to the Public Works Department.

(5) The original property owner(s) shall sign a release which states: “The property owner will NOT, under any circumstances, hold the Village of Matteson or any of their Agents liable for replacing or repairing any sprinkler heads or damaged piping in parkway/right-of-way. This includes any damage to any part of the system caused by the Village of Matteson or any of their Agents working in the parkway/right-of-way or on Village property.”

(6) Failure to comply with any portion of this section will result in termination of all water service.

(B) *Mailboxes*. Masonry mailboxes and planters will be allowed under these strictly enforced restrictions:

(1) No person shall construct, erect or alter a brick or masonry mailbox without first securing a permit.

(2) Along with a permit application, a plat of survey should be attached to show the following: The mailbox setback a minimum of 12 inches from the back of curb but in no case shall any portion of the mailbox, including the door when in the open position, extend past the back of curb; at least 12 inches from the driveway; the structure shall not be erected within five feet of any buffalo box, water valve, vault/box, sanitary sewer manhole, storm sewer manhole or inlet, or within ten feet nor immediately in front of a fire hydrant; structure shall not exceed two feet square. The brickwork for the mailbox shall be tied to the pad in such a manner so as to prevent the mailbox from becoming detached from the pad.

(3) The original property owner(s) shall sign a release which states: “The property owner will NOT, under any circumstances, hold the Village of Matteson or their Agents liable for replacing or repairing the damaged masonry mailbox and/or planters by the Village of Matteson or their Agents working in the parkway/right-of-way or on Village property.”

(‘79 Code, § 94.34) (Am. Ord. 1571, passed 10-17-94; Am. Ord. 2022, passed 4-4-2005) Penalty, see § 98.99

Statutory reference:

Authority to prevent and remove encroachments, see ILCS Ch. 65, Act 5, § 11-80-3

HOUSE NUMBERING

§ 98.50 LOTS AND HOUSES RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH.

All lots or houses located on north and south streets or on streets running in a northerly and southerly direction shall be numbered from 211th Street, beginning with number 21100 at the south line of 211th Street and increasing towards the south.

('79 Code, § 155.01) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46)

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§ 98.51 LOTS AND HOUSES RUNNING EAST AND WEST.

All lots or houses located on east and west streets or on streets running in an easterly and westerly direction shall be numbered from Kedzie Avenue, beginning with number 3200 at the west line of Kedzie Avenue, and increasing towards the west.
(‘79 Code, § 155.02) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46)

§ 98.52 EVEN NUMBERS.

There shall be assigned one house number to each 25 feet of frontage on each side of all streets. The even numbers on the south and north streets and streets running in a northerly and southerly direction shall be on the west side of said streets. The even numbers on the east and west streets or streets running in an easterly and westerly direction shall be on the north side of said streets.
(‘79 Code, § 155.03) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46)

§ 98.53 MAP TO SHOW NUMBERING.

The Village Clerk shall keep a map of the village on which map a house number has been assigned for each 25 feet of street frontage in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter. House numbers are assigned all property within the municipality fronting on municipal streets in accordance with the house numbers appearing on said map. If any additional street or streets are opened in the municipality, the property fronting on such streets shall be assigned house numbers under this subchapter and in conformity with the house numbers herein assigned property on parallel streets.
(‘79 Code, § 155.04) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46)

§ 98.54 HOUSES TO BE NUMBERED AS REQUIRED AND TO BE POSTED.

It is made the duty of the owner, agent, or person in possession of any building in the municipality to number in accordance with this subchapter. Each of the figures of every such number on any residence or apartment building shall be not less than three inches in height and on any store and place of business shall be not less than six inches in height. All numbers shall be placed in a conspicuous place or near the entrance or entrances of the buildings to which they are attached.
(‘79 Code, § 155.05) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46) Penalty, see § 98.99

§ 98.55 CLERK TO FURNISH NUMBERING INFORMATION ON REQUEST.

The Village Clerk shall inform the owner, agent, or person in possession of any building in the village as to the house number thereof at any time on request.
(‘79 Code, § 155.06) (Ord. 354, passed 3-4-46)

§ 98.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter for which another penalty is not specifically provided, shall be fined as provided in § 10.99 of this code not more than \$750 for each and every violation thereof, and every day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.