

O29.069 – History of proposed changes

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ARTICLE II. - ENCROACHMENTS AND EXCAVATIONS

Sec. 214-14. - Obstructions prohibited; safe passage.

A. —No person shall place, or cause to be placed, any obstruction to public travel in any street or sidewalk, and no person shall close any street or sidewalk, for an entire block or any portion thereof, unless such person shall have obtained a permit for such obstruction or closure granted as provided ~~by an appropriate city ordinance~~ in Section 214-19.

B. —In the case of obstruction of a sidewalk, ~~A~~any person granted such a permit under ~~an appropriate ordinance shall~~ Section 214-19, shall, when possible, provide at all times a safe and convenient passage over or around such obstruction.

Sec. 214-19. - Permit for placing building materials and/or construction equipment on streets and sidewalks; permits for street and sidewalk obstructions and closures.

A. Any person intending to undertake construction, alteration or repair of any building or other structure upon or adjacent to any public highway may be granted a permit by the Director of Operations, ~~or~~ or the designee of said director, to occupy a portion of such highway and/or sidewalk for building materials, construction equipment, accessories or any other needs specifically related to construction under such terms and conditions as the City Engineer may specify with regard to building construction requirements, and the Office of Operations may specify with regard to the needs of traffic and parking.

B. ~~The fee for such permit shall be one hundred (\$100.)~~ five hundred (\$500.) ~~and such permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed ninety (90)~~ (thirty(30))

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~~days. Said permit may be renewable upon the filing of another fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) five hundred (\$500).~~

Sidewalks:

1. If the construction activities set forth in Subparagraph A above cause a sidewalk, or any portion of a sidewalk to be closed or partially obstructed, as described below in paragraph 4, the fee for such permit shall be ~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~ two hundred dollars (\$200) for thirteen (13) weeks plus any additional fees required in paragraphs 2 and 3 below. ~~Upon the expiration of thirteen (13) weeks, said permit may be renewed upon the payment of another fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100).~~
2. For each calendar day, including the initial day, of construction ~~The permit holder shall be obligated to pay the City an additional twenty five dollars (\$25) fifty dollars (\$50) for each calendar day, including the initial day, of construction that~~ upon which a sidewalk, or any portion of a sidewalk is closed.
3. If the construction activities set forth in Section A cause a sidewalk to be partially obstructed but nevertheless permit public travel on the sidewalk, as in the case of sidewalk sheds or scaffolding above a sidewalk, in lieu of the fee set forth in Subparagraph 2, there shall be an additional fee of ~~additional twenty five dollars (\$25) fifty dollars (\$50), for each week that the sidewalk is partially obstructed;~~ such permit shall be valid, for a period not to exceed 13 weeks. Upon the expiration of thirteen (13) weeks, said permit may be renewed upon the payment of another fee in the amount of ~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~ two hundred dollars (\$200).

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C. Streets:

1. If the construction activities set forth in Subparagraph A above cause a City street, or any portion of a City street to be closed or partially obstructed, the fee for such permit shall be ~~one hundred dollars (\$100)~~ two hundred dollars (\$200) for thirteen (13) weeks plus any additional fees as required below. Upon the expiration of thirteen (13) weeks, said permit may be renewed upon the payment of another fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100).
2. For each calendar day that each lane of street, including any lane reserved for parking, is closed the daily fee shall be as follows:

<u>Street Designation (as provided by the Director of Operations)</u>	<u>Permit Daily Fee per lane per day</u>
<u>Residential</u> <u>Local</u>	\$50 <u>\$100</u>
<u>Collector</u>	\$100 <u>\$200</u>
<u>Minor Arterial</u>	\$150 <u>\$300</u>
<u>Major Arterial</u>	\$200 <u>\$400</u>

- D. If the entity requesting a sidewalk or street closure or causing an obstruction is a public utility regulated by the State of Connecticut Public Utilities Authority (PURA), the permit fee charged shall be two hundred dollars (\$200) for thirteen weeks for a sidewalk closure or obstruction with no additional fees. The permit fee for a street closure shall be two hundred dollars (\$200) per lane closed. Upon the expiration of thirteen (13) weeks,

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said permit may be renewed upon the payment of an additional fee in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200) for sidewalk closure or obstruction or per street lane closed.

E. The permittee shall indicate on the application for the permit the date or dates upon which such construction activity is to take place. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Director of Operations, or his/her designee, may make reasonable accommodations to the permittee to provide flexibility regarding the scheduled date(s) of construction activity, particularly if the dates of construction activity are impacted by weather, public emergencies, or other factors beyond the control of the permittee.

E.F. At the time the permit is issued, the permittee shall pay the City a fee based upon the permittee's estimate of the duration of construction activity. At the conclusion of the construction activity, the permittee shall pay any additional fees that may be due, or shall be entitled to a refund, or credit, if the fee paid at the time of issuance of the permit exceeds the amount due.

F.G. Should the Stamford Police or other authorized government agent require additional ~~sidewalk and/or~~ street lanes to be closed, beyond those specified in the permit, in order to ensure public safetyⁿ, then the Director of Operations, or the designee of said director, may increase the permit fee, at a rate double the rates described above, to reflect the additional closures. However, no additional fee shall be required if the reason for the additional sidewalk and/or street lane closure was due to factors beyond the control of the permit holder, in the sole discretion of the Director of Operations or his/her designee.

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G.H. ~~The Mayor may, at any time, propose adjustments of the amount of adjust the fees set forth herein up to the maximum amount provided herein as follows. The maximum adjustment of any fee shall be no more than the Consumer Price Index for Northeast Urban Consumers prepared by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, using July 1, 2016 as the base period. The Board of Representatives shall be informed of any such adjustment at least sixty (60) days prior to the adjustment going into effect. This shall not restrict the Board of Representatives, at any time by ordinance, from changing any fees described herein, n Nor shall it restrict the Mayor, at any time, from proposing to the Board of Representatives other changes in fees than provided herein.~~

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H. ~~If the permitted is required to make material improvements in the sidewalk of street lane as a zoning or governmental condition, then the Director of Operations or his/her designee may waive up to 15 days of daily permit fees.~~

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I. ~~The Board of Representatives at any time may adjust the fees contained in this ordinance by resolution. The Mayor may adjust the fees set forth in this ordinance provided that the maximum adjustment of any fee shall be no more than the Consumer Price Index for Northeast Urban Consumers prepared by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, using July 1, 2016 as the base period. The Board of Representatives shall be informed of any such adjustment at least sixty (60) days prior to the adjustment going into effect. Furthermore, within sixty (60) days of notification the Board of Representatives may reject the proposed adjustments by simple majority vote; otherwise the fees shall~~

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take effect. This provision for adjustments shall not restrict the Mayor from proposing other fees provided herein.