

Guidelines for settling into the new home or business

Settling into a new home or business can be a happy and stressful time. With the right information, the process can be more “happy” and less “stressful”. Some items of concern may be as simple as placing the mail box, landscaping the front yard, setting up utility service.

Your questions have answers that are sometimes regulated by City Ordinances. Which ones? — we can help you. You are encouraged to contact us before you install, plant, or build.

Sidewalks are required on all developed property. The installation, repair and maintenance of all sidewalks in the public right-of-way is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.

When you need to remodel: General contractors, electricians, plumbers, and heating contractors must be registered with the City to work. This is a safety precaution.

Registered contractors must have a certain level of expertise and carry insurance. For your protection—make sure your contractor is licensed! Call us if you have any questions about contractor registration..

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BUSINESS/ HOMEOWNER INFORMATION

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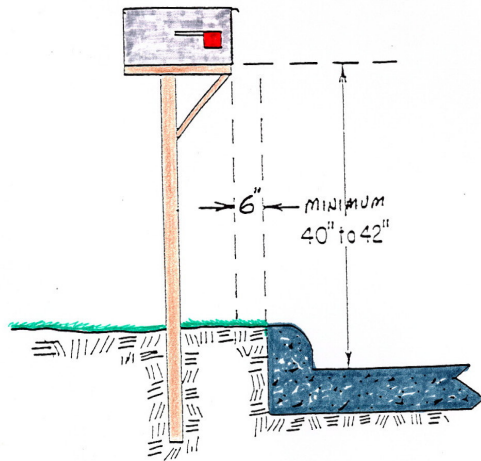
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MAIL BOXES

Your **curb-side mail box** needs be placed so the front of the box is at least six inches back from the inside of the curb, and the bottom of the box is 40" to 42" from the street surface. This placement allows the Post Office to find it and the snow plow to miss it.

Support post shall be 4"x4" wood post, 6" plastic post, 2" standard weight steel pipe post, or ornamental iron. Any other type of support shall require application to the Director of Public Works.



Mailbox support post must be constructed of materials not larger than 4" x 4" wood post, 6" plastic post, 2" standard weight steel pipe.

Ornamental iron mailbox post constructed of lightweight steel or of other material that will easily yield upon impact is also allowed.

The face of mailbox shall be minimum of 6" back of face of curb.

LANDSCAPING

The area between the curb and sidewalk is public right-of-way (ROW). **Landscaping with an approved permit** is allowed in this area, but remains the responsibility of the property owner to maintain. There are City approved trees for this area that are designed to protect the public ROW with less hindering of power lines, vehicle/pedestrian clearance, or sight visibility.

Trees allowed in this area are: River Birch, Common Hackberry, Thornless Honey Locust, American Sycamore, Swamp White Oak, Bur Oak, Red Oak, American Linden, Green Ash, Amur Maple, Hawthorne, Star Magnolia, Crabapples, Aristocrat Callery Pear, Bradford Pear, Northwood Red Maple, Kentucky Coffeetree, Hornbeam. Trees not allowed are: Norway Spruce, Douglas Fir, Eastern White Pine, Austrian Pine, Common Larch and all other evergreens, Pin Oaks, Crimson King Norway Maple, Silver Maple.



Shrubs must not hinder the passage of pedestrians or vehicular sight needs. This is especially important at intersections where ordinance dictates a "sight visibility triangle" which is defined by the size of public ROW.

Underground **lawn sprinkler** systems are not recommended in the public ROW due to their vulnerability to damage by snow removal equipment.

WATER / WASTEWATER

The City of York is your supplier of these services. An account can be established by contacting the **Water/Wastewater Department at 402-363-2606**.

In it's ongoing effort to supply you with a quality water supply, the City of York has a **Backflow Protection Program**. By identifying and eliminating possible cross-connections in our system, we enhance the safety of your water supply. Your input to identify and eliminate possible cross connections will be required periodically. The enclosed brochure explains the program more fully.

CONSTRUCTION

All construction to further enhance your property is covered by the City of York Zoning Ordinances. So, a fence, storage building, garage, deck, etc., will need an approved **Building Permit** before the project begins. Application can be made at the City Offices.

Zoning Ordinances provide standards for health, safety, and land use which protect all property owners. Any changes to the plumbing, heating/cooling and electrical systems, as well as construction, are covered by adopted Codes. If any changes or additions are contemplated, it is always best to check with the Zoning Administrator before proceeding.