

SECTION 02025

EXISTING UTILITIES AND STRUCTURES

PART 1: GENERAL

1.01 SCOPE OF WORK

Certain information regarding the reputed presence, size, character, and location of existing Underground Facilities such as pipes, drains, sewers, electrical lines, telephone lines, cable TV lines, gas lines, and water lines has been shown on the Contract Drawings and/or provided in the contract documents. This information with respect to Underground Facilities is provided by the Owner in accordance with conditions described in the General Conditions and for information purposes only. Contractor is responsible to determine actual location of all utilities in proximity to the work for the purposes of the preparation of their bid and during construction.

1.02 NOTIFICATION OF UTILITIES

Notify the applicable State Agency with jurisdiction over underground facilities and/or all utility companies that construction work under this Contract will pass through containing their underground facilities. Notify these parties in advance to support the construction work (minimum 72 hours). All excavation in the vicinity of existing underground utilities shall be performed in accordance with applicable regulations.

1.03 BRIDGE CROSSINGS

Notify the applicable State Agency and Transportation Organization with jurisdiction over bridge facilities and/or all utility companies that construction work under this Contract will pass at or near the bridge structure. Notify these parties in advance to support the construction work (minimum 72 hours or as required by the organization with jurisdiction). All construction in the vicinity of existing bridge structures shall be performed in accordance with applicable regulations.

PART 2: PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

Furnish all materials for temporary support, adequate protection, and maintenance of all underground and surface utility structures, supports, drains, sewer and other obstructions encountered in the progress of the work.

PART 3: EXECUTION

3.01 OBSTRUCTIONS BY OTHER UTILITY STRUCTURES

Support, relocate, remove, or reconstruct existing utility structures such as conduits, ducts, pipes, branch connections to main sewers, or drains. The obstruction

shall be permanently supported, relocated, removed or reconstructed where they obstruct the grade or alignment of the pipe. Contractor must do so in cooperation with the owners of such utility structures. Before proceeding, the Contractor must reach an agreement with the Engineer on the method to work around the obstruction.

No deviation shall be made from the required line or depth without the consent of the Engineer.

3.02 REPAIRS

- A. Repair or replace any damage to existing structures, work, materials, or equipment incurred by Contractor's operations.
- B. Repair all damage to streets, roads, curbs sidewalks, highways, shoulders, ditches, embankments, culverts, bridges, trees, shrubs or other public or private property caused by transporting equipment, materials or personnel to or from the work site. Make satisfactory and acceptable arrangements with the persons or agencies having jurisdiction over the damaged property concerning repair or replacement
- C. Brace and support existing pipes or conduits crossing the trench, or otherwise exposed to prevent trench settlement from disrupting the line or grade of the pipe or conduit. Before proceeding, the Contractor must reach an agreement with the Engineer on the method of bracing and support. Repair or replace all utility services broken or damaged at once to avoid inconvenience to customers. Storm sewers shall not be interrupted overnight. Use temporary arrangements, as approved by the Engineer, until any damaged items can be permanently repaired. Maintain all items damaged or destroyed by construction and subsequently repaired.
- D. Repair or replacement of sanitary or storm drains removed or damaged during installation of the water main shall be repaired immediately. Repairs or replacement of sanitary or storm drains shall meet all local, state and federal requirements.

3.03 RELOCATION

Relocate existing utilities or structures, where necessary, and restore it to a condition equal to that of the original facility. Obtain approval of the owner of the utility or structure prior to relocating and/or restoring the facility.

3.04 SEPARATION OF WATER MAINS AND SANITARY SEWERS

- A. General

Consider the following factors when determining adequate separation:

- (1) Materials and type of joints and restraints for water and sanitary sewer pipes,
- (2) Soil conditions & backfill materials,
- (3) Service and branch connections into the water main and sanitary sewer line,
- (4) Compensating variations in horizontal and vertical separations,
- (5) Space for repair and alterations of water and sanitary sewer pipes,
- (6) Off-setting of pipes around manholes.

B. Parallel Installation

Lay water mains at least 10 feet horizontally from any existing or proposed sanitary sewer, including sanitary sewer service connections, and sanitary or combined sewer manholes,. Measure the distance from edge to edge. In cases where it is not practical to maintain a 10-foot separation, the applicable State Agency may allow deviation on a case-by-case basis, if supported by data from the Engineer. Such deviation may allow installation of the water main closer to a sanitary sewer, provided that the water main is laid in a separate trench or on an undisturbed earth shelf located on one side of the sanitary sewer at such an elevation that the bottom of the water main is at least 18 inches above the top of the sanitary sewer.

C. Crossings

Whenever water mains must cross sanitary sewer laterals or sanitary sewers, lay the water main at such an elevation that the bottom of the water main is 18 inches above the top of the sanitary sewer pipe. Maintain this vertical separation for the portion of the water main located within 10 feet horizontally of any sanitary sewer it crosses. The 10 feet is measured as a perpendicular distance from sanitary sewer line to the water line.

D. Exception

Notify the Engineer when it is impossible to obtain the proper horizontal and vertical separation as stipulated above. If directed by the Engineer, either or both the water main and sanitary sewer line shall be constructed of, mechanical joint ductile iron or welded joint protected steel pipe. Other types of restrained joints of equal or greater integrity may be used at the discretion of the Engineer after consultation with the applicable State Agency. Pressure test these joints before backfilling to assure that they are water tight. Where water mains must cross under a sanitary sewer, additional protection shall be provided by:

- (1) A vertical separation of at least 18 inches between the bottom of the sanitary sewer and the top of the water line,
- (2) Adequate structural support for the sanitary sewer to prevent excessive deflection of the joints and the settling on and breaking of the water line,
- (3) Centering the section of water pipe at the point of the crossing so that the joints shall be equidistant and as far as possible from the sanitary sewer line.

Consult the applicable State Agency, through the Engineer, to discuss the use of alternatives when the above conditions cannot be met.

E. Disposal Facilities

Water main shall not be located closer than 25 feet to any wastewater disposal facility, agricultural waste disposal facility, or landfill. Water mains shall be separated by a minimum of 25 feet from septic tanks and wastewater disposal area such as cesspools, subsurface disposal fields, pit privies, land application fields, and seepage beds.

3.05 SEPARATION OF WATER MAINS AND STORM SEWERS

Where water mains and storm sewers would run parallel, lay water mains at least 10 feet horizontally from the existing or proposed storm sewer including storm sewer service connections (measured from edge to edge). Where storm sewers and water mains would cross, place water mains at least 18 inches from the storm sewer (measured from edge to edge). In cases where it is not practical to maintain the specified separation, the Engineer may allow deviation on a case by case basis or as clearly called out in the plans. If the Engineer deems that such deviation will be allowed, install the water main as directed by the Engineer in such a way that does not compromise more stringent and desired separation from sanitary sewers per subsection 3.04.

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