

RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

New fees to take effect beginning January 1, 2025

The Findings and Purpose of Chapter 116 of the Legislative Code: Right of Way Administration, states that: In order to provide for the health, safety and well-being of its citizens, as well as to insure (sic) the structural integrity of its streets and the use of the public rights-of-way, the city strives to keep its rights-of-way in a state of good repair and free from unnecessary encumbrances. Although the general population bears the financial burden for the upkeep of the rights-of-way, a primary cause for the early and excessive deterioration of its rights-of-way is their frequent excavation by persons whose equipment is located therein.

Right-of-way obstruction is a source of loss of business to merchants and others whose places of business are located nearby and a cause of frustration for the general population which must avoid these obstructions or change travel or shopping plans because of them. Persons whose equipment or facilities are located within the right-of-way are the primary cause of these frequent obstructions.

The City recognizes that it holds the rights-of-way within its geographical boundaries as an asset in trust for its citizens. The city and other public entities have invested millions of dollars in public funds to build and maintain the right-of-way. It also recognizes that some persons, by placing their equipment or facilities in the right-of-way and charging the citizens of the city for goods and services delivered thereby, are using this property held for the public good. Although such services are often necessary or convenient for the citizens, such persons receive revenue and/or profit through their use of public property.

Furthermore, Chapter 135: Right of Way Permits states: In order to provide for the health, safety and well-being of its populace as it uses the public rights-of-way, as well as to ensure the structural integrity of its rights-of-way, the city desires to minimize the number of obstructions and excavations taking place thereon.

The purpose of this chapter is to regulate obstructions of and excavations in the rights-of-way by providing, among other things, for the issuance of permits granting authority to obstruct or excavate therein and by providing for the subsequent restoration of the rights-of-way.

The fee schedule below will serve as the standard rates for work within the City's public right-of-way. Users of said right-of-way will be assessed on a by use basis per the schedule below.

				27% Increase
OBSTRUCTION PERMITS	2010-2014 Rates	2015-2024 Rates		2025 Proposed Rates ⁵
Traffic Lane Fee (per day, per average daily traffic)⁶				
Detour Distance (MnDOT Standard Rate) ⁴		0.15	0.15	0.15
Detour Rate (IRS Standard Mileage Rate) ^{1,3,4}	\$	0.55	0.56-.67	TBD
Parking Lane Fee (per day, per 20')				
Not Downtown	\$	6.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 9.00
Downtown	\$	12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 18.00
Bike Lane Fee (per day, per 20', per direction)				
Not Downtown		N/A	\$ 10.00	\$ 13.00
Downtown		N/A	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Sidewalk Fee (per day, per 20')				
Not Downtown	\$	6.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 9.00
Downtown	\$	12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 18.00
Alley Fee (per day, per average daily traffic)⁶				
Detour Distance (MnDOT Standard Rate) ⁴		0.15	0.15	0.15
Detour Rate (IRS Standard Mileage Rate) ^{1,3,4}	\$	0.55	0.56-.67	TBD
Block Fee (per day, per block)				
Base Fee	\$	39.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 55.00
Roving Fee (per event)				
Moving Non-obstructive Operations (per month, e.g. filming, public area cleanup, window cleaning)	\$	116.00	\$ 128.00	\$ 163.00

UTILITY PERMITS	2010-2014 Rates	2015-2024 Rates	2025 Proposed Rates ⁵
Excavation Permit (per event)			
Base Fee - Local Streets	\$ 189.00	\$ 208.00	\$ 264.00
Base Fee - Collector/Arterial Streets	\$ 281.00	\$ 309.00	\$ 392.00
Excavating/Boring Rate (per foot after 25')	\$ 2.75	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00
Pulling Rate (per foot after 25')	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.77	\$ 1.00
Special Lead Replacement Rate (per foot after 25')	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.22
Cut Fee (per additional cut)	\$ 15.00	\$ 16.50	\$ 21.00
Well (per well, per month)	\$ 27.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 38.00
Overhead Permit (per event)			
Base Fee - Local Streets	\$ 189.00	\$ 208.00	\$ 264.00
Base Fee - Collector/Arterial Streets	\$ 281.00	\$ 309.00	\$ 392.00
Overlash Rate (per foot after 25')	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.77	\$ 1.00
Joint Service Permit (per event)			
Water Base Fee - Local Streets (per connection, up to 6)	\$ 189.00	\$ 208.00	\$ 264.00
Water Base Fee - Collector/Arterial Streets (per connection, up to 6)	\$ 281.00	\$ 309.00	\$ 392.00
Water Additional Connection Rate - Local Streets (after 6)	\$ 74.00	\$ 82.00	\$ 104.00
Water Additional Connection Rate - Arterial Streets (after 6)	\$ 166.00	\$ 183.00	\$ 232.00
Sewer Base Fee - Local Streets	\$ 74.00	\$ 81.50	\$ 104.00
Sewer Base Fee - Collector/Arterial Streets	\$ 166.00	\$ 183.00	\$ 232.00

GENERAL PERMITS	2010-2014 Rates		2015-2024 Rates	2025 Proposed Rates ⁵
Media Permit (per event)				
Base Fee	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00
Dumpster Permit (per dumpster, per day)				
Not Downtown	\$	6.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00
Downtown	\$	12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 18.00
Storage Permit (per container, per day)				
Not Downtown	\$	6.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 9.00
Downtown	\$	12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 18.00
Transportation Permit (per event)				
Base Fee (per trip)	\$	29.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 44.00
Base Annual Fee (per license, per route)	\$	139.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 191.00
Sidewalk Café Permit (annual fee, 4/1-10/31)				
Base Fee	\$	53.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 76.00
Food Cart Permit (per month)				
Base Fee	\$	35.00	\$ 39.00	\$ 50.00
Valet Parking Zone Permit (annual fee)				
Base Fee (2 parking spaces)		-	\$ 100.00	\$ 127.00
Bike Corral Permit (annual fee)				
Base Fee		-	\$ 100.00	\$ 127.00
Parklet Permit (annual fee)				
Base Fee		-	\$ 100.00	\$ 127.00
Newsrack Permit (annual fee per newsrack)				
Base Fee	\$	42.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 53.00
Tree Trenches Restoration (per tree)				
Base Fee		-	\$ 125.00	\$ 159.00
Reserved Meter Parking Fee				
Reserved Meter Parking Fee (per space, per day)	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 25.00
Reserved Meter Parking Fee - Special Events (per space, per day) ²	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 10.00
Small Cell Wireless Standalone Permit				
Base Fee (single processing fee)	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00

Notes:

¹ The IRS mileage rate is set by the Federal Government

² Refer to policy for special event criteria

³ Not subjected to a percentage increase

⁴ Standard Detour Rate set by MnDOT for 2025

⁵ Percentage increases rounded to nearest whole number

⁶ Multiplication factor of 1.27 will be applied to all lane use factors