

GENERAL NOTES – WATER

1. AT ALL POINTS OF CONNECTION OF NEW WATER MAINS TO EXISTING MAINS, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EXCAVATING AND VERIFYING LOCATION OF THE EXISTING LINES PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION.
2. EXCEPT IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, VALVES ON THE TOWN OF ERIE WATER SYSTEM SHALL BE OPERATED BY OR UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE APPROPRIATE TOWN OF ERIE PERSONNEL. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL GIVE THE TOWN OF ERIE ENGINEERING STAFF 48 HOURS NOTICE TO ARRANGE FOR OPERATING VALVES. BOTH THE CONTRACTOR AND THE APPROPRIATE TOWN OF ERIE PERSONNEL SHALL BE PRESENT WHEN THE VALVES ARE OPERATED.
3. WATER AND SANITARY SEWER LINES SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM HORIZONTAL SEPARATION OF TEN (10) FEET. WHEN A TEN (10) FOOT SEPARATION IS NOT PROVIDED OR WHEN SEWER LINES CROSS WATER LINES WITH LESS THAN ONE AND ONE-HALF (1½) FEET OF VERTICAL SEPARATION, SEWER LINE JOINTS SHALL BE CONCRETE ENCASED. FOR PERPENDICULAR CROSSINGS, ENCASED JOINTS SHALL EXTEND TEN (10) FEET, PERPENDICULAR TO THE WATER LINE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.
4. ALL WATER LINES SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM OF FOUR AND ONE-HALF (4½) FEET OF COVER AND BE LOCATED A MINIMUM OF TEN (10) FEET FROM THE SANITARY SEWER AND THREE (3) FEET FROM THE EDGE OF CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER PAN.
5. CHANGES IN DIRECTION OF WATERLINE PIPE GREATER THAN ONE DEGREE SHALL REQUIRE FITTINGS IN ALL INSTANCES. AXIAL DEFLECTION AT THE JOINTS SHALL NOT BE IN EXCESS OF MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATION OR IN NO CASE MORE THAN ONE DEGREE.
6. WHEN IT IS NECESSARY TO DEPRESS WATER LINES AT UTILITY CROSSINGS, A MINIMUM CLEARANCE OF ONE AND ONE-HALF (1-1/2) FEET SHALL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN OUTSIDES OF PIPE.
7. DISTANCES FOR WATER LINES ARE THE HORIZONTAL DISTANCE BETWEEN THE CENTERS OF THE FITTINGS. THEREFORE, DISTANCES SHOWN ON THE PLANS ARE APPROXIMATE AND COULD VARY DUE TO VERTICAL ALIGNMENT AND FITTING DIMENSIONS.
8. ALL WATER LINE VALVES SHALL BE SET ADJACENT TO THE TEE, EXCEPT FOR POINTS THAT FALL IN THE FLOW LINE OF A CONCRETE CROSS PAN. IN WHICH CASE, THE VALVE SHALL BE LOCATED SO THAT SURFACE DRAINAGE DOES NOT INFILTRATE THE VALVE BOX. VALVE

- BOXES SHALL BE SET AT AN ELEVATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN PAVING REQUIREMENTS.
9. ALL WATER MAINS SHALL BE POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) PRESSURE PIPE UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE. NOMINAL PVC PIPE SIZES 6-INCH THROUGH 12-INCH SHALL CONFORM TO ALL REQUIREMENTS OF AWWA STANDARD C-900, PRESSURE CLASS 150 (DR18). NOMINAL PVC PIPE SIZES 16-INCH THROUGH 24-INCH SHALL CONFORM TO ALL REQUIREMENTS OF AWWA STANDARD C-905, PRESSURE CLASS 165 (DR25). ALL PVC PIPES SHALL HAVE OUTSIDE DIAMETERS EQUIVALENT TO CAST IRON PIPE.
 10. FIRE HYDRANT ASSEMBLY INCLUDES THE FIRE HYDRANT, SIX (6) INCH VALVE, AND SIX (6) INCH PIPE. INSTALLATION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TOWN OF ERIE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.
 11. ALL FITTINGS SHALL BE MADE FROM DUCTILE IRON, FURNISHED WITH MECHANICAL JOINT ENDS OR INTEGRAL RESTRAINED JOINTS, AND SHALL HAVE A PRESSURE RATING OF 350 PSI.
 12. POLYETHYLENE WRAPPING SHALL BE INSTALLED AROUND ALL DUCTILE IRON PIPES, FITTINGS, VALVES, FIRE HYDRANT BARRELS AND ROD AND CLAMPS. THE POLYETHYLENE SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM THICKNESS OF EIGHT (8) MILS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AWWA STANDARD C-105.
 13. ALL WATER LINE PIPE SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH A MINIMUM GAGE SIZE OF 12 SINGLE STRAND INSULATED COPPER WIRE. SPLICES IN TRACER WIRE SHALL BE CAPPED IN WATERPROOF GEL CAP TYPE CONNECTORS SUITED FOR DIRECT BURY APPLICATION (3M TYPE DBY-6 LOW VOLTAGE OR EQUAL). WIRE SHALL BE ATTACHED TO TOP OF WATER LINE WITH 2-INCH-WIDE PVC TAPE @ 5-FT INTERVALS ALONG PIPE. TRACER WIRE SHALL EXTEND TO THE SURFACE AND BE COILED IN A LOCATE BOX AT THE BACKSIDE OF EITHER EACH FIRE HYDRANT OR VALVE. UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF TOWN OF ERIE ENGINEERING STAFF, TEST SHALL BE MADE BY THE CONTRACTOR @ THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION TO ENSURE THAT THE TRACER WIRES CARRY A CONTINUOUS CURRENT BETWEEN ALL ACCESS POINTS.
 14. WARNING TAPE SHALL BE INSTALLED 12" MINIMUM AND 18" MAXIMUM ABOVE WATER PIPE.
 15. BEDDING MATERIAL SHALL CONFORM TO TOWN OF ERIE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS.
 16. VALVES SHALL OPEN COUNTERCLOCKWISE. VALVES 12-INCH AND SMALLER SHALL BE RESILIENT SEAT GATE VALVES. LARGER VALVES SHALL BE BUTTERFLY VALVES.

17. VALVE BOXES SHALL BE RAISED TO ONE-FOURTH (1/4) INCH BELOW GRADE AFTER COMPLETION OF SURFACE PAVING OR FINAL GRADING. VALVE BOXES IN NON-PAVED AREAS SHALL HAVE A CONCRETE COLLAR AROUND THE VALVE LID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DETAIL.
18. ALL SERVICE LINE TAPS SHALL HAVE DOUBLE STRAP BRASS TAPPING SADDLES. (ROMAC 202B OR APPROVED EQUAL).
19. ALL RESIDENTIAL WATER TAPS SHALL BE A MINIMUM OF THREE-QUARTER (3/4) INCH. UPSIZING OF RESIDENTIAL WATER TAPS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE CURRENT BUILDING CODE AND DUE TO REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS STIPULATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE .
20. ALL WATER SERVICE LATERALS SHALL EXTEND FIVE (5) FEET BEYOND RIGHT OF WAY OR UTILITY EASEMENTS, WHICHEVER IS GREATER. THE ENDS SHALL BE MARKED BY A BLUE PAINTED WOOD POST UNTIL CURB AND GUTTER IS IN PLACE. WHEN CURB AND GUTTER IS IN PLACE THE LATERALS SHALL BE MARKED ON THE CONCRETE CURB FACE WITH A "V" or "W".
21. CONCRETE THRUST BLOCKS AND/OR "MEGA-LUG" MECHANICAL RESTRAINTS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL MECHANICAL FITTINGS. THRUST BLOCKS MAY NOT BE REQUIRED IF PIPE RESTRAINT IS PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESTRAINED PIPE DETAIL.
22. NO WORK SHALL BE BACKFILLED (INCLUDING BEDDING MATERIAL ABOVE THE SPRING LINE OF THE PIPE) UNTIL THE CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN INSPECTED AND APPROVED FOR BACKFILLING BY THE TOWN OF ERIE ENGINEERING STAFF.
23. ONLY ONE CONNECTION TO THE EXISTING WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SHALL BE MADE UNTIL ALL HYDROSTATIC TESTING, CHLORINATION AND FLUSHING HAS BEEN COMPLETED.
24. DISINFECTION AND HYDROSTATIC TESTING SHALL BE DONE IN THE PRESENCE OF A TOWN OF ERIE ENGINEERING STAFF. CONTACT THE TOWN OF ERIE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS PRIOR TO DISINFECTING AND/OR TESTING.
25. DISINFECTION AND FLUSHING SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE PROCEDURE SET FORTH IN AWWA C651, "STANDARD FOR DISINFECTING WATER MAINS". THE CHLORINATION OF THE WATER LINE SHALL BE PERFORMED PRIOR TO THE HYDROSTATIC TESTING. ALL VALVES, FIRE HYDRANTS AND OTHER APPURTENANCES SHALL BE

- OPERATED WHILE PIPELINE IS FILLED WITH THE CHLORINATING AGENT TO ENSURE THAT HIGH CHLORINE CONTACT IS MADE WITH ALL INTERNAL SURFACES.
26. ALL WATER LINES SHALL BE HYDROSTATIC TESTED. PRESSURE AND LEAKAGE TESTS SHALL BE CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO THE APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF AWWA C600/605 TO A MINIMUM PRESSURE OF ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (150) POUNDS PER SQUARE (PSI) INCH AT THE LOW POINT OF THE SECTION BEING TESTED FOR THE DURATION OF TWO (2) HOURS. THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF LINE TO BE TESTED SHALL BE ONE THOUSAND (1,000) FEET. ALL JOINTS IN CONNECTIONS ARE TO BE WATERTIGHT WITHIN TOLERANCES ALLOWED BY THE SPECIFICATIONS IN AWWA C600/605. ANY LEAKAGE THAT IS DISCOVERED BY OBSERVATION OR TESTS SHALL BE LOCATED AND MADE WATERTIGHT BY THE CONTRACTOR. PRESSURE AND LEAKAGE TESTS SHALL NOT BE CONDUCTED UNTIL THE LINE HAS PASSED ALL REQUIRED DISINFECTION TESTS.
 27. INITIAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE NEW WATER LINES ARE CONTINGENT UPON RECEIVING COPIES OF:
 - A. WATER TRENCH COMPACTION TEST RESULTS
 - B. HYDRO STATIC TESTING OF 100% OF THE SYSTEM
 - C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT TESTS. (CHLORINE AND/OR CLEAR WATER AS REQUIRED)
 28. ALL METER PITS AND CURB STOPS SHALL BE PROTECTED AT THE TIME OF INSTALLATION WITH A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) T-POSTS AND ORANGE SAFETY FENCE. THE T-POST AND SAFETY FENCE SHALL REMAIN IN PLACE AND IN GOOD CONDITION UNTIL THE LANDSCAPING IS INSTALLED.
 29. ALL WATER VAULTS SHALL BE WATERTIGHT. CONTRACTOR SHALL SEAL VAULTS TO ENSURE SURFACE WATER DOES NOT INFILTRATE INTO THE VAULTS. VAULT LIDS SHALL BE PLACED TO ENSURE THAT SURFACE WATER DOES NOT FLOW INTO THE VAULTS.