



# Driveway/Approach Addition Requirements

- THE CITY OF GRIMES IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING PROPERTY LINES.
- AN APPROVED PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL DRIVEWAY ADDITIONS **IF** YOU ARE DOING WORK IN CITY RIGHT OF WAY OR INCREASING THE SIZE OF YOUR APPROACH
- A CONCRETE APPROACH IS REQUIRED TO BE 6" THICK
- AN INSPECTION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO POURING A CONCRETE APPROACH
- SAND IS NOT ALLOWED FOR BASE, IT MUST BE COMPACTED DIRT OR ROCK IN THE CITY RIGHT OF WAY
- AN EXPANSION JOINT MUST BE INSTALLED AT THE STREET AND THE SIDEWALK.
- YOU DO NOT NEED A PERMIT IF ALL THE WORK IS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY
- THE MAXIMUM WIDTH OF A DRIVEWAY IN AN "R" DISTRICT IS 24'
- THE MAXIMUM WIDTH AT THE CURB OPENING IS 34'
- 3-5 FOOT FLARES REQUIRED PER SIDE OF APPROACH
- THE DRIVEWAY AND CURB OPENING PROPORTION RATIO HAS TO BE MET. YOU CANNOT INCREASE ONE WITHOUT INCREASING THE OTHER. EXAMPLES ARE ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET.
- THE PERMIT FEE FOR INCREASING DRIVEWAYS/APPROACHES IN CITY RIGHT OF WAY IS \$30

Exception – the driveway may be extended on the private side by 2 ft on one side, for a maximum width of 26 ft at the sidewalk. **\*\* NEW \*\***

See page 2 for examples.

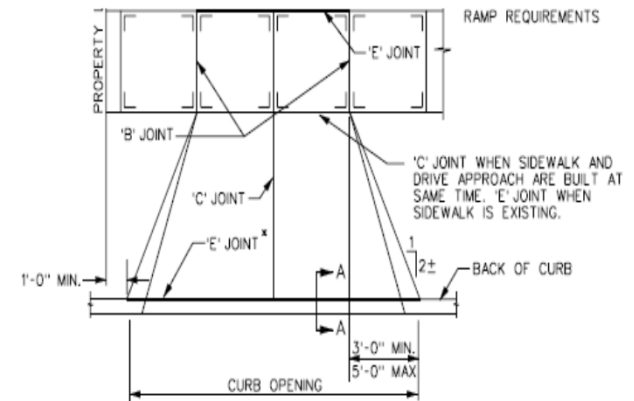
**-YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO DISCUSS YOUR PROJECT WITH THE BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR OR BUILDING INSPECTOR.**

**HELP US, HELP YOU. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION OR NEED FURTHER CLARIFICATION, CONTACT THE BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR OR BUILDING INSPECTOR AT 515-986-3036**

**DRIVEWAY; THE PAVED AREA ON PRIVATE PROPERTY**

**APPROACH; THE PAVED AREA BETWEEN THE STREET AND SIDEWALK OR PROPERTY LINE**

DRIVEWAY WIDTH  
10'-0" MIN., 24'-0" MAX. (LOCAL/COLLECTOR):

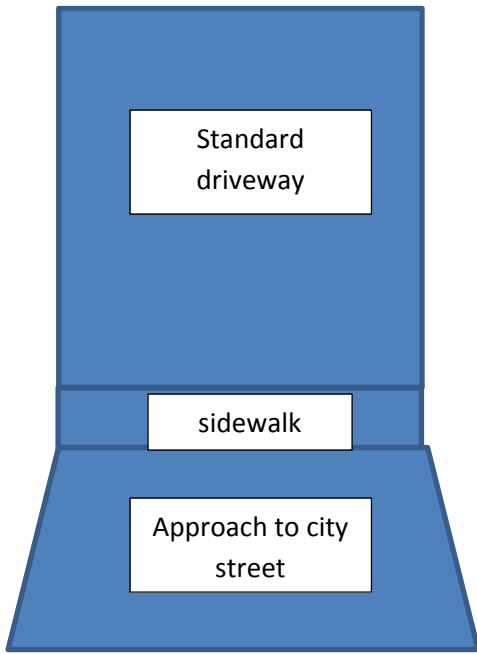


**Iowa law requires you to call Iowa One Call 48 hours previous to any digging**



**Call Before You Dig!  
1-800-292-8989**

Notification service for locating underground



**Standard Approach:**

Max at top: 24 ft

Max at street: 34 ft

Minimum flare at street: 3 ft

Maximum flare at street: 5 ft

