# PART 1 - GENERAL

### 1.01 ABOUT THESE STANDARDS

These Design Standards are based on a standard developed for use in the design of most common public improvements, most development activities and utility work within the public right-of-way. The intent of this document is to set a standard of design for the City of Waverly that is consistent, effective, efficient and protects public safety.

These standards are updated on a regular basis, so it is important to have the current edition. Please do not make copies of these standards because only originals are tracked and notified of revisions.

### 1.02 HOW TO USE THESE STANDARDS

The standards contained in this document are organized into sections covering specific areas of design. It will often be necessary to use a number of sections for the design of a single project. For instance, the design of a street may require the use of standards on streets, sidewalks, storm sewers, traffic-control signals and erosion control.

These standards are a guide for design, but not a substitute for good engineering. It is the obligation of the designer to use these standards responsibly and professionally to produce designs conforming with commonly accepted engineering practices and the Code of Professional Conduct. It will at times be desirable and/or necessary to vary from the standards in this document to produce a good product. When the need arises, please refer to the following section on variances.

#### 1.03 VARIANCES

When it becomes necessary or desirable to vary from the standards presented in this document, a variance may be requested from the City Engineer. Such a request shall be made in writing and will include:

- 1. The standard to be varied.
- 2. The proposed variation.
- 3. Justification for the variance.

A written response will be given within 7 business days of the request.

A driveway width variance which is denied by the City Engineer may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment for consideration in accordance with the Board's process for filing an application for hearing. Any other variance petition which is denied by the City Engineer may be appealed to the City Council, in writing, within 30 days of receiving written notification of the Engineer's decision. The Council will schedule a hearing on the matter at the earliest possible date that is agreeable to all interested parties.

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# 1.04 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these standards may be requested by writing the City Engineer with details and justification for an amendment. City officials will meet periodically to discuss proposed amendments and make recommendations to the City Council.

# 1.05 WHOM DO I CONTACT?

Questions regarding these design standards should be directed to:

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