**NOTE:** Appendix Forms and Information are for Reference Only. Contact Local Entity Engineer for Original Forms and Current Information.

Licensing (City of Fort Collins)

# City of Fort Collins Contractor's License & Endorsements

#### **General Information**

- A Right-of-Way Contractor's License is required to perform <u>work of any kind</u> in the public right-of-way.
- An Endorsement to the Right-of-Way Contractor's License is required to perform work in the following categories:
  - Asphalt:Required in order to perform asphalt placement, asphalt patching,<br/>slurry seal, crack seal and other similar asphalt related work.Utility:Required in order to perform work on any utility which is or will be<br/>owned, operated or maintained by the city or any utility which will<br/>connect to and become a part of a city owned utility.Non-Structural:Required in order to construct curb, gutters, sidewalks, cross-pans,<br/>trickle-pans and other similar non-structural concrete work.Structural:Required in order to construct concrete box culverts, inlets,<br/>bridges, reinforced drainage structures and other similar structural<br/>concrete work.

## What is Required

- Fees: A \$25.00 application fee is required with the submittal of the license application. A \$75.00 licensing fee is required after the license is approved. These are one-time fees, although new fees will be charged if a revoked license is reinstated. \* Please see License Renewals below. \*
- Insurance: A \$1,000,000 certificate of Commercial General Liability insurance is required from an insurance company with a minimum of a "B++" rating. The City of Fort Collins must be listed as <u>both</u> a Certificate Holder and an Additional Insured. \* Please see the attached example for details.\* An original, signed insurance certificate is required for license approval and a faxed copy will **not** be accepted.
- Bond(s): A \$20,000 license & permit bond is required to obtain a Right-of-Way Contractor's License, with an additional and <u>separate</u> \$10,000 license and permit bond for <u>each</u> endorsement. The bonding company must have a minimum rating of "A-" and the bond must be original and signed. A faxed copy will **not** be accepted for license approval.

## License Renewals

• There is no formal renewal process. A contractor's license will be kept current as long as the bonds and insurance are kept up to date and the Engineering

Department receives original continuation certificates each year. If continuation certificates are not received within 30 days of the bond or insurance expiration date, the license will have to be renewed, and the contractor will be charged the \$25 application fee and the \$75 license fee before being reinstated.

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE					
Insurance Agency Info					
Contractor Info		Insurance Company Name(s) (must be rated a minimum of B++)			
Commercial General Liability	Policy #	Start Date	Expiration Date	Each Occurrence must equal a minimum of \$1,000,000	
The City of Fort Collins is listed as an additional insured.					
Certificate Holder					
City of Fort Collins Attn: Engineering Department PO Box 580 Fort Collins, CO 80522-0580					
		Original Signature			

#### This is an example of what is needed on an insurance certificate for a City of Fort Collins Contractors' License to work in the Right of Way.

# ARTICLE XIII. RIGHT-OF-WAY CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE

#### Sec. 15-361. License required.

It shall be unlawful for any person, company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other association (hereinafter referred to as *person*) (1) to perform or contract to perform work of any kind in the public right-of-way without first obtaining a license to perform such work, or (2) to perform work in any category described in § 15-365 without first obtaining an endorsement as provided therein for the specific category of work sought to be performed. It shall be unlawful for any person to perform or contract to perform work on any utility which is or will be owned or maintained by the city or which will connect to and become a part of a city-owned or maintained utility, whether located in the public right-of-way or in an easement, without first obtaining a license and endorsement to perform such work.

(Code 1972, § 73-127; Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-362. Application and fee for license and endorsement.

Applications for a right-of-way contractor's license and endorsement (as provided in § 15-365) shall be made to the City Engineer. The City Engineer is hereby authorized to establish forms for the application and to require any such information and documentation from applicants as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Article. An application fee shall be established as authorized in Chapter 7.5, Article I of this Code, which fee shall be paid prior to or concurrently with submittal of the application.

(Code 1972, § 73-128; Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-363. Bond required.

All license applications shall be accompanied by a license and permit bond executed by a reliable surety company with a rating of "A-" or better. The bond certificate provided to the city shall be an original (not a copy). The bond shall be in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.) with an additional and separate bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.) for each license endorsement as provided in § 15-365. All bonds shall be continuous, with a minimum cancellation notice of sixty (60) days. In the event a bond is canceled, the license will be immediately revoked and no further work will be allowed to occur; however the bond, even though canceled, must remain effective through the warranty period associated with all previously completed work items.

(Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-364. Insurance required.

All license applications shall be accompanied by an original certificate of commercial general liability insurance insuring the contractor and naming the city as an additional insured against any liability arising out of ownership, use, occupancy or construction of the work and all areas appurtenant thereto with a combined single limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.). The limits of said insurance shall not, however, be a limit to the liability of the licensee hereunder. Insurance required shall be with companies qualified to do business in the state with a general policy holder's financial rating of not less than "B++" as set forth in the most current edition of "Bests Insurance Reports" and may provide for deductible amounts as the contractor may deem to be reasonable, but in no event greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.). No such policies shall be cancelable or subject to reduction in coverage limits or other modification except after thirty (30) days prior written notice to the city. However, where cancellation of coverage is due to nonpayment of the premium a ten-day written notice to the city is required. The contractor shall not do or permit to be done anything which will invalidate the insurance policies referred to in this Section. Policies described above shall be for the mutual and joint benefit and protection of the contractor and the city. Such policies shall contain a provision that the city, although named as an additional insured, shall nevertheless be entitled to recovery under said policies for any loss occasioned to it, its servants, agents, citizens and employees by reason of negligence of the contractor. Such policies shall be written as primary policies not contributing to and not in excess of coverage which the city may carry.

(Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-365. Licenses and endorsements.

Any person wishing to perform work, regardless of the nature of the work, shall be required to obtain a right-of-way contractor's license prior to performing the work as provided in § 15-361. Additionally, any person wishing to perform work in one (1) of the following categories shall first qualify for, and obtain a license endorsement to perform such work as follows:

#### Endorsements:

Nonstructural

- Asphalt: Required in order to perform asphalt paving, asphalt patching, slurry seal, chip seal, crack seal and other similar asphalt related work.
- Utility: Required in order to perform work on any utility which is or will be owned, operated or maintained by the city or any utility which will connect to and become a part of any city-owned utility.
- Concrete: Required in order to construct curbs, gutters, sidewalks, cross pans, tricklepans and perform other similar nonstructural concrete work.
- Structural Concrete: Required in order to construct concrete box culverts, inlets, concrete underwalk culverts, bridges, concrete drainage structures, and perform other similar structural concrete work.

The City Engineer shall be authorized (1) to determine whether the applicants are qualified to perform the kind of work included under the endorsement(s) being requested, and (2) to issue the license and appropriate endorsement(s) to qualified applicants who fully comply with this Article. (Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-366. Issuance of license and fee.

Upon approval of qualifications by the City Engineer, receipt by the city of an original bond certificate and insurance certificate, purchase of the current edition of all applicable city standards and specifications and payment of the license fee, the applicant will be issued a license and endorsement(s) as applicable. A license fee shall be established as authorized in Chapter 7.5, Article I of this Code, which fee shall be paid prior to or concurrently with issuance of the license. (Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98

#### Sec. 15-367. Guarantee of work.

Any person licensed to perform work in the public right-of-way shall guarantee the work for a period of two (2) years or as required in the applicable city standards and specifications which apply to the work performed, whichever is longer. This guaranty shall include all repairs required due to defects in materials or workmanship. This guaranty shall also include defects consisting of settling of trenches or other fills or excavations. The determination of the necessity for such repairs shall be made by the City Engineer, which determination shall be final. If, at any time within the period of the guaranty, the licensee shall fail or refuse to make repairs required by the guaranty, then the city may proceed to cause the repairs to be made and to recover the cost by action against the bond of the licensee.

(Code 1972, § 73-129; Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-368. Suspension or revocation of license or endorsements.

The City Engineer may suspend or revoke any license or endorsement issued under this Article upon determining that the licensee:

(1) Has failed to abide by the requirements of this Code, including this Article, relating to work done under the license and/or endorsement.

- (2) Is unqualified to perform the work for which the license or endorsement was issued.
- (3) Has demonstrated a careless, dangerous or destructive approach to the work being performed.
- (4) Has violated provisions of the applicable construction or repair standards or specifications.

Upon taking action to suspend or revoke a license, the City Engineer shall give written notice to the licensee of such action. Such license shall not be in effect again until duly reinstated by the City Engineer, nor shall any refund of the license fee be made for any length of time for which the license has been suspended or revoked. The licensee may appeal the decision of the City Engineer to the City Manager by filing a notice of such appeal with the City Clerk within ten (10) days after the notice is mailed to the licensee. In the event of such appeal, the City Manager shall schedule a hearing on the question, and the action taken by the City Manager at the hearing shall be final.

(Code 1972, § 73-131; Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

#### Sec. 15-369. Exceptions.

The requirements of this Article shall not apply to:

- (1) City crews performing work in the public right-of-way;
- (2) Any party contracting with the city to perform work in the public right-of-way;
- (3) Utility companies performing work in the public right-of-way using utility company crews (not including contractors for such utility companies); or
- (4) Individual residential property owners who are working within the public right-of-way abutting such residential property.
- (Ord. No. 180, 1998, § 1, 10-20-98)

# **Application for Contractor's License** to work in the Right-of-Way

#### **Company Information**

Applicant Name:	Company Phone:
Company Name:	Company Fax:
Mailing Address:	
City, State & Zip:	
Insurance Information	
Local Agency Contact:	Local Agency:
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
Insurance Company Name:	Policy Number:
Dates of Coverage:	Rating:
Bond Information	
Local Agency Contact:	Local Agency:
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
Bonding Company Name:	Bond Number:
Dates of Coverage:	Rating:
In the event the applicant or surety compar- in Chapter 15 of the City Code, the Engineer applicable endorsements.	prees to maintain the required bond(s) and insurance in full effect. Any should fail to refuse to perform according to the terms set forth bering Department shall immediately terminate this license and all ty of Fort Collins Standards and Specifications and to any special that may be imposed by the City Engineer.
Applicant Signature:	Date:

Engineering Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Endorsement to Contractor's License for work in the Right-of-Way

Asphalt Non- Structural Concrete		Structural Concrete Utility
Company Information		
Applicant Name:		Company Phone:
Company Name:		Company Fax:
Bond Information		
Bond Number:	Dates of Covera	age: Rating:
Other Information		
Years company has been in bu	siness: Years com	pany has performed this type of work:
Names of two key members of	company personnel and their y	vears of experience:
1	# yrs	
2	# yrs	
Names of any other municipaliti	es in which company is curren	tly licensed to perform this type of work:
2		Phone
2		Phone
Has this company ever had a lid	cense revoked or suspended?	Yes No
	-	
Has license been reinstated?	Ň	Yes No
Two references (name and age	ncy) to confirm the quality of c	ompany's work:
1		Phone
2		Phone
Company equipment:		
Applicant Signature:		Date:
Engineering Approval:		Date:

#### Appendix B-2 Licensing (City of Fort Collins Only)

#### RIGHT-OF-WAY CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOND

Bond No.\_\_\_\_\_

#### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WE, \_\_\_\_\_\_, as Principal, and \_\_\_\_\_\_, as operation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_, and authorized to do business in the State of Colorado, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Fort Collins, P.O. Box 580, Fort Collins, CO 80522 in the penal sum of Twenty thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000), for the payment which we hereby bind ourselves, or heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally by these presents.

THE CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND OBLIGATION are such that the Principal has applied for a license as/for

Right-of-Way Contractor in accordance with the requirements of the ordinances of the City of Fort Collins, and

has agreed to hold the City of Fort Collins harmless from any damage by reason of his/her engaging in said

business.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well, truly and faithfully perform all the duties of Right-of-Way Contractor according to the requirements of the ordinances of the City of Fort Collins and protect the City of Fort Collins from any damage as hereinbefore stated, and guarantee work, as set forth in Sec. 15-367 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins, for a minimum of two years after completion of work, and final acceptance thereof by the City of Fort Collins, and shall fully indemnify and save harmless the City of Fort Collins from all costs and damages which it may suffer by reason of the Principal's failure to honor its obligations as aforesaid, and shall reimburse and repay the City of Fort Collins all outlay and expense which the City of Fort Collins may incur in making good any default, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that the said Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change to the terms of the ordinances of the City of Fort Collins, including Section 15-367 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins or to the standards and specifications of the City of Fort Collins applicable to the work shall in any way affect its obligation on this bond; and it does hereby waive notice of any such change(s).

PROVIDED, FURTHER, this bond may be terminated as to future acts of the Principal upon the giving of sixty (60) days advance written notice by the Surety; said notice to be sent to the Engineering Department of the City of Fort Collins, P.O. Box 580, Fort Collins, CO 80522 by certified mail.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that this bond may be continued at the option of the Surety by the issuance of a noncumulative Continuation Certificate.

This bond becomes effective on the day of	,, for a period
ending on the day of	_,
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this	day of,
	Principal:

Name:	 
By:	
Title:	 

Surety Company:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_By: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Attorney-in-Fact

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#### ENDORSEMENT BOND

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in accordance with the requirements of the ordinances of the City of Fort Collins, and has agreed to hold the City

of Fort Collins harmless from any damage by reason of his/her engaging in said business.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall well, truly and faithfully perform all the duties of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Endorsement according to the requirements of the ordinances of the City of Fort Collins and protect the City of Fort Collins from any damage as hereinbefore stated, and guarantee work, as set forth in Sec. 15-367 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins, for a minimum of two years after completion of work, and final acceptance thereof by the City of Fort Collins, and shall fully indemnify and save harmless the City of Fort Collins from all costs and damages which it may suffer by reason of the Principal's failure to honor its obligations as aforesaid, and shall reimburse and repay the City of Fort Collins all outlay and expense which the City of Fort Collins may incur in making good any default, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

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This bond becomes effective on the day of ending on the day of	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this	day of,
	Principal:
	Name:
	By:
	Title:
	Surety Company:
	Name:
	By:
	Attorney-in-Fact

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