

# **Summary of Changes**

## **Public Services Standards and Specifications 2024**

This is a summary of some changes made between the 2024 and 2025 Public Services Standards and Specifications. This is not a comprehensive list but provides a “cheat sheet” of some significant changes made.

### **Article 1: General Standards**

- Removed reference to Mechanical Permit this is addressed as part of the PWSS permit.
- Removed reference to Water Meter Permit this permit does not exist. Meter requirements are found in Article 3.
- Clarified Street Tree Permit requirement for pruning.
- Clarified fees for Contractor inspection late arrival/no-show.
- Removed reference to AAGRS Worksheet.
- Clarified temporary signage plan requirements.
- Clarified winterization requirements for hydrant meters.
- Clarified street cut restoration requirements, including addition of restoration requirements for pot-holing for utility locations.

### **Article 2: Sanitary**

- Clarified material review requirements for directional drilling.

### **Article 3: Water**

- Clarified requirements for push-on restrained joints and thrust blocks.
- Added reference to Article 10 for chimney seal requirements.

### **Article 4: Stormwater**

- Replaced outdated “Green Streets Policy” with updated Public Street Stormwater Management Guidelines.
- Added reference to Article 10 for chimney seal requirements.

### **Article 5: Streets**

- Substantial revisions to the Design Criteria for New Public Streets
- Removed references to 2018 edition of NACTO. Per Article 1, use the most current edition.

## **Article 6: Drive Approaches, Active Transportation Facilities, and Lawn Extensions**

- Corrected typo; sidewalk curve radius.

## **Article 7: Streetlights**

- No changes made.

## **Article 8: Soil Erosion**

- No changes made.

## **Article 9: Landscaping**

- No changes made.

## **Article 10: Construction Specifications**

- Clarified project clean-up and restoration requirements.
- Cited the ASTM requirements for sanitary sewer.
- Clarified infiltration testing requirements for sanitary sewer.
- Clarified unsuitable materials for pipe undercut.
- Clarified pipe backfill requirements.
- Clarified requirements for thrust blocks in addition to restrained push-on rubber joint gaskets.
- Added the water main testing sequence as previously included in the 1994 Standards and Specifications to better clarify and organize testing requirements.
- Cited the ASTM requirements for air exfiltration testing/pressure holding.
- Clarified structure adjustment requirements and updated standard detail references.
- Clarified flowable fill requirements for abandoned pipe and salvage/removal requirements of other appurtenances.
- Clarified the requirement to comply with MDOT Special Provision for Acceptance of Hot Mix Asphalt Mixture on Local Agency Projects.

## **Article 11: Pay Items**

- Clarified frame and structure cover requirements.
- Corrected units on some items to fix typos.
- Added items previously omitted as an oversight: Pavement Marking Transverse Removal, Gate Box Cover.
- Clarified payment terms: Minor Traffic Control, Temporary Water Main Line Stop, Additional Rental Day.

## **Article 12: Standard Details**

- A 2024 revision date is noted where Standard Details have been modified.

## **Appendix A: Allowable Materials**

- Removed American Flow Control Waterous fire hydrant

## **Appendix B: Sanitary Design Dry Weather Flow Rates**

- No changes made.

## **Appendix C: Pay Items**

- Corrected typo to include 24" crosswalk, polyurea pavement marking, instead of a duplicate 12"

## **Appendix D: DDA Street Design Manual**

- No changes made.