

ACCESS DRIVEWAY INSTALLATION ON COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS

I. GENERAL

All access driveways within County road right-of-way must be approved by the Nueces County Department of Public Works prior to installation.

Access driveways shall be for the bona fide purpose of securing access to abutting property and shall not be used for parking or other purposes.

II. LOCATION

Access driveways shall be located to provide maximum safety for roadway traffic and users of the driveway.

III. DRIVEWAY WIDTH

Private Driveways
Maximum Width – 24 feet

Commercial Driveways
Maximum Width – 45 feet

IV. DRAINAGE STRUCTURES

The size of opening and length of pipe or other type of drainage structure will be determined by the Nueces County Department of Public Works. Special designs such as bridges will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

All driveway pipe shall be constructed of reinforced concrete, unless otherwise approved.

All driveway pipe shall have sloped ends of 6:1 (6 horizontal to 1 vertical), both upstream and downstream.

The cost of driveway pipe or drainage structure, such as concrete box culvert, shall be the sole responsibility of the property owner.

V. DRIVEWAY INSTALLATION

A. Private Driveways

Platted Subdivisions

In subdivisions platted after December 2006 the construction and installation of driveways is the responsibility of the subdivision developer or lot owners. The design, location, and construction of the driveways must conform to the Nueces County Subdivision Regulations and Platting Requirements and will be shown in the construction plans for the subdivision. All driveways will require approval by the Nueces County Department of Public Works.

Other Locations

Upon approval of the design and location of a private access driveway the Nueces County Department of Public Works will install any required culvert pipe and furnish and install any fill and base material within the County road right-of-way.

The cost of the culvert pipe or other drainage structure, such as concrete box culvert, and any delivery costs are the responsibility of the property owner.

B. Commercial Driveways

Once the proposed driveway design is approved by the Nueces County Department of Public Works the cost of all material and installation is the responsibility of the property owner.

If necessary the Nueces County Department of Public Works will mark or otherwise provide ditch grades and elevations.

VI. PAVING OF DRIVEWAYS

At the sole expense of the property owner, the driveway may be paved. Paving may consist of hot mix asphalt, seal coat surface treatment, or reinforced concrete.

If reinforced concrete pavement is used it is to be placed no closer than the shoulder area between the concrete and the edge of the roadway pavement. In addition, at the right-of-way line there shall be a pre-molded or board joint. The area between the reinforced concrete and the travelway may be paved with either hot mix asphalt or seal coat surface treatment.

VII. MAINTENANCE

A. Private Driveways

Maintenance of all private access driveways is the responsibility of the property owner.

The Nueces County Department of Public Works may assist with the maintenance of private access driveways when performing maintenance or repair on the adjacent roadway.

B. Commercial Driveways

Maintenance of all commercial access driveways is the responsibility of the property owner.

VIII. ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION

Any existing access driveways that are destroyed, removed, or altered in the construction or reconstruction of a section of road will be replaced or reconstructed by the Nueces County Department of Public Works to a design within current regulations and to a condition equal to or better than the original driveway.

IX. PUBLIC SAFETY

Nueces County reserves the right to perform any operation within the road right-of-way on either a private or commercial access driveway that is necessary to protect the safety of the public or to preserve the integrity of the roadway.

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