



Braintree Town Council

ORDER NO: 24 052

DATE FILED: SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

REQUEST OF: NATIONAL GRID

National Grid hereby respectfully requests your consent to the locations of mains as hereinafter described for the transmission and distribution of gas in and under the following public streets, lanes, highways, and places of the Town of Braintree and of the pipes, valves, governors, manholes and other structures, fixtures and appurtenances designed or intended to protect or operate said mains and accomplish the objects of said Company; and the digging up and opening the ground to lay or place same:

To grant National Grid permission to open the road at 116 Hawthorn Road, Braintree. #1604657 to install a new gas service with staff recommendations:

BELD: BELD has no conflicts with this location.

DPW: The DPW has reviewed the subject petition for the installation of a gas service to the residence at 116 Hawthorn Road. Hawthorn Road is currently under the excavation moratorium enacted by Town Council in 2015, having been resurfaced in 2022. For transverse service trenches, the moratorium is 5 years, therefore any excavation made prior to 2027 requires waiving of the ordinance. The gas main is located on the same side of Hawthorn Road as the property, approximately four feet from the granite curb. There is no gas main on Home Park Road to which the property is adjacent. If the Council does elect to waive the excavation ordinance, the DPW recommends that the petition be granted with the following conditions:

- A temporary patch shall be placed immediately after the work. The street excavation should be saw-cut, backfilled and compacted in 8-inch lifts, paved to match existing asphalt depth (with a minimum depth of four inches) in two-inch lifts to match the existing street grade.
- After maintaining the temporary patch through one winter, a permanent patch shall be placed the following May. The permanent patch should be a fifteen-foot long milled patch from curb-to-crown, with 2-inches of asphalt top course machine laid. Tack coat should be applied to milled surfaces and joints prior to paving. Finished joints should be treated with infrared or with a rubberized asphalt sealer.



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DPW also recommends that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

- No contractor is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.

YEAS: Boericke, Flaherty, Maglio, Morin, Quilty, Reynolds, Ringius

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Hume, Ryan

PASSED IN COUNCIL: OCTOBER 1, 2024

A True Record, Attest:

10/2/2024

Date Approved

James M. Casey

James M. Casey, Town Clerk