



Braintree Town Council

ORDER NO: 20 018

DATE FILED: FEBRUARY 4, 2020

REQUEST OF: COMCAST

Comcast hereby respectfully requests to install a conduit in the town's road and roadside along with necessary terminal location enclosures, fixtures, and appurtenances for the purpose of providing Comcast service as follows:

**To service 262 Forbes Road, install and maintain approximately 482 feet of communications cable in 1 - 4" PVC concrete encased conduit 24 inches deep, from an existing vault across from #222 Forbes Road to a new 3' X 3' manhole at the driveway into 262 Forbes Road with staff recommendations:**

**BELD:** Please see attached underground utilities map, contractor to follow Dig safe procedures. Comcast to notify BELD of any utility conflicts or scope of work changes.

**DPW:** This section of Forbes Road is not under the moratorium. The DPW recommends that the permit be granted with the normal conditions imposed by the DPW Highway Division plus that:

1. Forbes Road was not built under the Town's supervision and so the presence and locations of drainage pipes and other utilities are not definitively known. Visible evidence reveals the presence of water lines a drainage system within the scope of this proposed work. Care must be taken to support and not damage existing utilities, and a plan of the details of the conduit system installed as-built shall be submitted to the DPW Engineering Division and shall include sizes, materials and locations of all utilities encountered during the construction.
2. If sidewalk surfaces are disturbed the surface is to be replaced in kind, at ADA compliant slopes and for the full width of the sidewalk and including fully ADA compliant curb ramps where required;
3. The Traffic Management Plan sheets shall reference the 2009 MUTCD rather than the 2003 edition noted. Also, the advance warning signs on the northeast-bound approach must be extended further southwest due to the serious sight line constraint posed by the vertical curve in the roadway.
4. The required trench repair is to have the trench width temporary paved with two 3" courses of binder, and then for the permanent repair, mill off the first 1-1/2 inches depth of the trench width plus one foot on each side, then clean, tack and repave the trench with 1-1/2 inches of top.



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5. The drawing refers to plates. If they are to be used (as for in curing the concrete encasement) it should be for not more than one overnight, with asphalt ramps at all edges in the traffic area and signs warning of their presence.
6. All matches with existing surfaces be smooth, safe, properly surfaced and satisfactory to the Town;
7. The conduit shall be installed outside of the trenches of the water, sewer and drain lines and other utilities in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time;
8. The DPW shall be notified when the construction conflicts with Town utilities so the resolution can be mutually agreeable;
9. The construction portion of the permit period shall not exceed two months from the start of construction and the entire permit period shall be set at one year beginning at the date of Council approval.

We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither Comcast nor any of its contractors 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 conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

YEAS: Boericke, Connors, Flaherty, Hume, Mackin, O'Brien, Ringius, Ryan, Sciascia

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

PASSED IN COUNCIL: APRIL 28, 2020

A True Record, Attest:

James M. Casey, Town Clerk