

SANTA FE COUNTY

Ordinance No. 1987-3

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3 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ESTABLISHING POLICIES FOR THE
4 LAYOUT OF ROADS AND LOTS; RESERVATION AND DEDICATION OF
5 RIGHTS-OF-WAY; MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES; CLASSIFICATION
6 AND DESIGN STANDARDS FOR ROADS; PROVISIONS FOR UTILITY
7 EASEMENTS; AND ESTABLISHING A REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE
8 RELATING TO THE USE OF AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC TO DETERMINE
9 CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS. AMENDING THE SANTA FE COUNTY LAND
10 DEVELOPMENT CODE, ORDINANCE NO 1980-6, ARTICLE V,
11 SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, SECTION 8, DESIGN STANDARDS AND
12 SECTION 9, REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS.
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15 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA
16 FE COUNTY:

17 Effective Date: Upon adoption, this ordinance shall be
18 effective on the 30th day after it is filed with the County
19 Clerk and the New Mexico State Records Administrator.

20 [NOTE: Except as otherwise noted, underscored material is
21 new; and ~~interlineated material~~ is deleted.] Article V,
22 Sections 8 and 9 of the Santa Fe County Land Development
23 Code is amended as follows:

24 Section 8. Subdivision Design Standards
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1 These ~~design standards are intended to be a guide for~~
2 shall be binding upon the subdivider, unless modifications
3 are justified by sound engineering principles. Deviation
4 Such modifications from these standards may be made by the
5 County Development Review Committee and/or approved by the
6 Board after a review by the CDRC, upon presentation of
7 documented justification by a licensed professional
8 engineer.

9 8.1 General Policy

10 8.1.1 The arrangement, character, extent, width,
11 grade and location of all ~~streets~~ roads shall ~~conform to~~
12 topographical conditions, to public be considered in
13 relation to convenience and safety, ~~and in their appropriate~~
14 ~~relation to the proposed uses of the land to be served by~~
15 ~~such streets roads.~~

16 8.1.2 (New Material) The Santa Fe County Master
17 Plan for Roads.

18 a. Pursuant to 3-19-9 N.M.S.A., 1978, the Santa
19 Fe County Master Plan for Roads establishes the general
20 location of existing and proposed highway and arterial roads
21 for the purpose of assuring a co-ordinated system of roads
22 in Santa Fe County.

23 b. The Santa Fe County Master Plan for Roads may
24 be amended by resolution from time to time to accommodate
25 changing or changed conditions.

26 8.1.3 ~~The proposed layout shall be made according~~
27 ~~to sound land planning practice for the type of development~~
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1 proposed, and shall be coordinated with the street system of
2 the surrounding areas. All streets must

3 a. The arrangement of roads in a development
4 shall provide for the continuation or appropriate projection
5 of existing or proposed principal highway or arterial
6 streets roads in surrounding areas according to the Santa Fe
7 County Master Plan for Roads, and shall provide reasonable
8 means of ingress and egress to surrounding acreage tracts
9 property.

10 b. Where land is subdivided into extra large
11 tracts where there is a the potential for future further
12 subdivision or development of subsequent phases exists, the
13 proposed development shall be designed to provide for a
14 coordinated road system for the entire tract. such tract
15 shall be arranged so as to allow for the provision of future
16 streets and logical further resubdivision pattern.

17 c. (New material) Where it is in the public
18 interest to establish a right of way or access to property
19 which adjoins a proposed development, the right of way shall
20 be extended to the boundary of the property which is the
21 subject of a development application. The right of way
22 shall either be dedicated to the County or granted to the
23 Owners Association subject to a conditional dedication
24 governed by Section 8.1.7, infra. Such right of way shall
25 be designated on the master or phase development plan and on
26 the plat.

27 8.1.4 Access to highways and arterials; buffering
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1 requirements.

2 a. Where a proposed subdivision contains lots
3 abutting or adjacent to a an arterial or ~~major~~ highway, it
4 shall be planned so as to avoid having lots fronting on said
5 thoroughfare ~~the highway~~.

6 b. The subdivision shall be laid out to have a
7 minimum number of intersections with arterials or highways,
8 and where appropriate, shall provide at least two separate
9 points of ingress and egress to assure adequate access, and
10 shall be designed for all weather conditions. Driveways
11 from lots shall access local roads and may access collector
12 roads on a limited basis as approved by the County
13 Development Review Committee. The "sight distance" at any
14 intersection must provide for adequate "stopping distance".
15 (Art. V, Sec. 8.1.5 of existing Code)

16 c. Where the subdivision ~~contains~~ is traversed by
17 or is adjacent to a state or federal highway, and in
18 addition to these regulations, the subdivision must satisfy
19 the New Mexico State Highway Department Guidelines
20 Regulations Covering Design and Construction of Driveways on
21 Non-Controlled Access Highways in New Mexico for land
22 subdivision and a copy of which is on file in the office of
23 the County Clerk for public inspections. (Art. V, Sec.
24 8.1.5 of existing Code)

25 d. Where a subdivision borders on or contains a
26 railroad right-of-way or a limited access highway right-of-
27 way, a parallel road or frontage road may be required at a
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1 distance suitable for the appropriate use of the intervening
2 land. Such distances shall also be determined with due
3 regard for the requirements of approach grades and future
4 grade separations. (Art. V, Sec. 8.6 of existing Code).

5 e. (New Material) An open space set back shall
6 be provided between residential lots and the right-of-way
7 boundary of any limited access highway, railroad, or
8 established major center district, for the purpose of
9 protecting adjacent or proposed residential uses from noise,
10 fumes or other nuisances associated with such facilities.
11 The open space setback shall consist of one of the following
12 alternatives:

13 1) an open space setback of one hundred (100) feet
14 in width.

15 2) an open space setback of seventy five (75) feet
16 in width of which twenty five (25) feet shall be a
17 landscaped buffer planted with trees with a minimum height
18 at maturity of twenty four (24) feet. The trees shall be
19 planted to achieve a ratio of one (1) tree for every two
20 hundred and fifty (250) square feet of the landscape buffer.
21 The introduced trees shall be at least six (6) feet in
22 height at the time of planting and have a caliper or
23 diameter of one and one-half (1.5) inches. Existing trees
24 may be utilized in determining the number of trees to be
25 planted.

26 3) an open space setback of fifty (50) feet in
27 width of which twenty five (25) feet shall be a landscaped
28 buffer planted with a combination of trees with a minimum

1 height at maturity of thirty-six (36) feet and shrubs with a
2 minimum height at maturity of twelve (12) feet. The trees
3 shall be planted to achieve a ratio of one tree for every
4 three hundred (300) square feet and one shrub for every two
5 hundred and fifty (250) square feet of the landscape buffer.
6 The introduced trees shall be at least six (6) feet in
7 height and have a caliper or diameter of one and one-half
8 (1.5) inches, and the shrubs shall be five gallon size at
9 the time of planting. Existing trees may be utilized in
10 determining the number of trees to be planted.

11 4) further reductions of the landscape buffer but
12 not the open space setback, may be considered where a
13 combination of trees and the construction of a solid masonry
14 wall is proposed, or a combination of trees and an earth
15 berm of six to ten feet in height is to be constructed. The
16 ratio of trees to square footage will depend on the
17 variables of the site and nuisance factors to be mitigated.

18 5) a landscape plan for the open space setback
19 area shall be submitted. Landscape materials to be used
20 shall be listed and drawn to scale as they will appear at
21 maturity. At least one third of the trees in landscape
22 buffers shall be evergreen. A list of suitable plant
23 materials for the southwest region is on file at the County
24 Land Use Office to assist the subdivider in preparing the
25 landscape plan.

26 8.1.5 Along County, State or Federal designated
27 scenic corridors, or a Highway Corridor District, a
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1 "greenbelt" or "scenic easement", of a width deemed
2 appropriate by the County Development Review Committee or
3 the Board of County Commissioners shall be reserved from
4 development. For highway locations that have been
5 designated as "highway corridor districts" new development
6 will be subject to the design standards set forth in Article
7 VI, Section 1, infra. (Special Review)

8 8.1.6 (New Material) Road names or numbers shall
9 not duplicate or be similar to the names or numbers of
10 existing roads; if the proposed road is an extension of an
11 existing road then the proposed road shall have the name of
12 the existing road.

13 8.1.7 (New Material) Coordination of dedication
14 and maintenance responsibilities and notice thereof:

15 a. In order to coordinate roads and facilitate
16 transportation between subdivisions or other developments
17 and so as to assure that proposed roads are well planned and
18 conform to adjoining or planned roads which may carry
19 traffic from more than one development or subdivision, the
20 Board may require dedication of such roads, which dedication
21 shall be accepted for maintenance at such time as the Board
22 determines that such roads shall be needed as public
23 thoroughfares. This requirement shall be enforced so as to
24 give effect to a comprehensive road plan adopted by the
25 County.

26 b. A road not accepted for maintenance by the
27 County shall be maintained by the developer or Owners
28 Association.

1 c. A disclosure statement shall setforth whether
2 the roads will be accepted by the County for maintenance or
3 whether the developer or the Owners Association will be
4 responsible therefor. If an Owners Association is
5 responsible for maintenance, such a requirement shall be
6 incorporated in its by-laws. The by-laws shall establish a
7 method acceptable to the County for charging each lot owner
8 for an equitable portion of the maintenance and repair
9 expenses; require the establishment of an account for
10 holding such monies; a maintenance and repair plan which
11 shall require periodic maintenance designed to assure the
12 quality of travel and integrity of the roadway. The
13 developer shall be responsible for charges attributable to
14 unsold lots.

15 The by-laws shall also provide that a lot owner who sues to
16 enforce such terms shall be compensated for attorneys fees
17 and court costs by the Owners Association should he prevail.
18 Any covenants relating to road maintenance responsibilities
19 may not be amended without County Development Review
20 Committee approval.

21 d. No road will be accepted for the County road
22 maintenance program that has not been brought to the minimum
23 construction standard required by this Code as determined by
24 the average daily traffic carried on or to be carried by the
25 road.

26 e. Construction and design standards for new
27 roads or improvements to existing roads whether publicly or
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1 privately maintained, shall be dictated by the level of
2 service and projected use of the road, as indicated by
3 traffic impact studies required by master plan or
4 preliminary development plan or other submittals.
5 Guidelines for required improvements are set forth
6 accordingly by the Road Classification and Design Standards
7 Matrix (Appendix B-1) and the Required Improvements Matrix
8 (Schedule A).

9 f. Cut and fill or slope easements are permitted
10 in lieu of additional right-of-way to accommodate terrain
11 constraints.

12 g. 1) The Reservation or dedication of right-of-
13 way for half or partial roads streets at the perimeter of a
14 new subdivision is prohibited, discouraged. If
15 circumstances render the reservation or dedication of full
16 road street right-of-way impracticable, then adequate
17 provision for the concurrent dedication or reservation of
18 the remaining half portion of the street road must be
19 assured by the subdivider. Where there exists a half
20 partial street road in an at the perimeter of an adjoining
21 subdivision, the remaining half shall be provided by the
22 adjacent developer proposed development. (Art. V Sec. 8.1.3
23 of existing Code).

24 2) When a tract to be developed borders an
25 existing road having a right-of-way insufficient to conform
26 to the minimum standards required by these regulations,
27 which right-of-way will be used by the proposed development,
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1 sufficient right-of-way shall be platted, and dedicated or
2 reserved in such a way as would make the resulting right-of-
3 way or road conform with Code requirements.

4 8.1.8 (New Material) Where appropriate, a plan
5 prepared by a licensed engineer for signs, striping, signals
6 and other traffic safety devices shall be submitted by the
7 developer.

8 8.1.9 (New Material) Bonds, letters of credit
9 or other acceptable forms of security shall be required to
10 assure road improvements are installed as approved. Release
11 of said security instruments shall be subject to County
12 inspections to assure compliance with the approved
13 standards. Certification by a licensed professional
14 engineer shall be required to assure the road or related
15 improvements have been built according to specified project
16 standards. The Board of County Commissioners shall adopt by
17 resolution a schedule for road inspection fees, which
18 schedule is on file at the Office of the Public Works
19 Director and the Land Use Office.

20 8.1.10 (New Material) Construction of roads or
21 other required improvements may be phased according to a
22 schedule that is part of an approved master or development
23 plan.

24 8.1.11 (New Material) Local roads shall be so
25 laid out so that their use by through traffic will be
26 discouraged.

27 8.2 Street Road Design
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1 ~~8.2.1 Street grades shall not exceed the~~
2 ~~following (allowing for vertical curves):~~

3 ~~Type A and D Roadways (60 m.p.h.) 4 Lane 6%~~

4 ~~Type B and D Roadways (30 to 50 m.p.h.) 2 Lane 10%~~

5 ~~Type C and D Roadways (25 m.p.h.) 2 Lane 15%~~

6 ~~No street grade shall be less than 0.5%~~

7 ~~All streets shall be located so as to minimize~~
8 ~~areas of cut and fill and in general all streets shall be~~
9 ~~located to conform to good terrain management principles as~~
10 ~~contained in the Terrain Management Guidelines prepared by~~
11 ~~the Local Natural Resource Conservation Districts.~~

12 ~~Grade approaching street intersections shall not~~
13 ~~exceed 6% for a distance of not less than 200 feet each way~~
14 ~~from the intersection.~~

15 Construction and design standards shall be
16 according to sound engineering practice as follows:

17 8.2.1 (New Material) Classification of highways,
18 streets and roads:

19 1) Arterial Roads and Highways

20 A major arterial road or highway has from
21 two to six driving lanes, may be divided
22 with a median, and has sufficient
23 additional right of way to provide for
24 turning lanes and additional width at
25 major intersections. Major arterials have
26 an average daily traffic of more than 5000
27 vehicles and a minimum right-of-way of
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1 100'. A minor arterial road has an
2 average daily traffic of 1200 to 5000
3 vehicles, serves 200 to 1000 dwelling
4 units or lots, and has a minimum right-of-
5 way of 66 feet. Asphalt paving is
6 required for major arterials to a
7 minimum depth of five inches and for minor
8 arterials to a minimum depth of four
9 inches. Separated driving lanes or park-
10 ways are encouraged. See Appendices B-1
11 and B-2 for further detail.

12 2) Collector Roads

13 A collector road has two twelve (12) foot
14 driving lanes. It serves 100 to 199
15 dwelling units or lots and has an average
16 daily traffic volume of 600 to 1200
17 vehicles and a minimum right-of-way of 50
18 feet; paving shall achieve a minimum depth
19 of three inches. See Appendices B-1 and B-
20 2.

21 3) Local Roads

22 A local subcollector road has two twelve
23 (12) foot driving lanes, serves 31-99
24 dwelling units or lots, and carries an
25 average daily traffic volume of
26 181-594 vehicles with a minimum right-of-
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1 way of 50 feet. A local subcollector road
2 has a six (6) inch minimum surface
3 thickness of crushed gravel base course
4 material, provided it can be shown that
5 such minimum thickness is adequate based
6 on subgrade soil conditions; a plasticity
7 index of 8 to 12% shall be provided. A
8 local lane, place or cul-de-sac road
9 serves 0 to 30 dwelling units or lots
10 and carries an average daily traffic
11 volume of 180 vehicles or two ten (10)
12 foot driving lanes with a minimum
13 right-of-way of 50 feet. Local lanes,
14 places and cul-de-sac roads shall be
15 constructed with the same sub-grade and
16 base course specifications as the
17 subcollector road. See also Appendices B-
18 1 and B-2 and Article V, Sec 8.3 infra.

19 4) Cul-de-Sacs

20 Cul-de-Sacs (dead end roads) shall not
21 be longer than 500 feet and at the closed
22 end there shall be a turn around
23 having a radius of at least 42 feet of
24 driving surface and a minimum right-of-way
25 diameter of 100 feet. In low density
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1 residential areas the length of cul-de-
2 sacs may be adjusted by the CDRC with the
3 changes consistent with public safety
4 factors. For local roads designated
5 as a lane or place and designed to the
6 20' foot width, the turn-around area
7 remains the same as specified above.
8 Design standards are further exhibited
9 on Appendix B-1. Road Classification and
10 Design Standards. (Cul-de-sacs standards
11 are stated in Article V, Sec 8.2.4 of the
12 existing Code)

13 8.2.2 Curve radii and Superelevation - Vertical
14 and horizontal curves and the superelevation of the
15 horizontal curves shall conform to the requirements as set
16 forth in the American Association of State Highway
17 Transportation Officials publication "A Policy on Geometric
18 Design of Rural Highways", hereinafter described as AASHTO
19 Standards, a copy of which is available for review at the
20 Office of the County Clerk. A tangent of at least 100 feet
21 long shall be provided between horizontal curves. (Section
22 8.2.2 in existing Code)

23 8.2.3 Intersections - Streets shall be laid out
24 to intersect each other as nearly as possible at (90 degree)
25 right angles, under no condition shall intersection angle be
26 less than 70 degrees. ~~No two opposing street Off-set~~
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1 intersections ~~shall be of~~ less than one hundred and twenty
 2 five (125) feet between centerlines, shall not be permitted.
 3 Property lines at street intersections shall be rounded with
 4 a minimum radius ~~of 25 feet~~ of ten feet or a greater radius
 5 when necessary to permit the construction of a curb and
 6 sidewalk and shall provide for arc radius, as required for
 7 arterial roads.

8 8.2.4 ~~Cul-de-Sacs Cul-de-Sacs (dead-end~~
 9 ~~streets) shall not be longer than 500 feet and there shall~~
 10 ~~be provided at the closed end a turn around having a radius~~
 11 ~~of at least 50 feet to the outside edge of the outside~~
 12 ~~driving lane. (See Article V, Sec 8.2.1, 4 infra) A~~
 13 tangent of sufficient distance shall be introduced between
 14 reverse curves on all roads and streets according to AASHTO
 15 Standards. (Article V, Sec 8.2.2 in existing Code).

16 8.2.5 ~~Minimum street right-of-way widths shall~~
 17 ~~not be less than the following:~~

18 60 m.p.h. Design	100 feet
19 35 m.p.h. Design	70 feet
20 25 m.p.h. Design	50 feet
21 Cul-de-Sacs at turn around	125 feet

22 When connecting road centerlines deflect
 23 from each other at any point by more than ten degrees, they
 24 shall be connected by a curve with a radius adequate to
 25 ensure a sight distance as required by AASHTO Standards.

26 8.2.6 Curvature in intersection design alignments
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1 shall not be less than stopping distances required for the
2 design speed of the road or street as per AASHTO Standards.

3 8.2.7 Grade percentages: (8.2.1 in existing
4 Code) Except as otherwise provided by the terrain
5 management regulations, vertical road or street grades shall
6 not exceed the following:

- 7 a. Major and minor arterial roads
8 or highways of 4 lanes or more with a
9 speed limit of 55 miles per hour or
10 greater as permitted by law: six
11 to eight percent grade;
- 12 b. Collector roads of 2 lanes with a speed
13 limit of 25-35 miles per hour: ten
14 percent grade, and
- 15 c. Local roads of 2 lanes with a speed
16 limit of 10 miles per hour: eleven
17 percent grade,
- 18 d. Grades at the approach to intersections
19 shall not exceed 3% for 100 linear
20 feet, excluding vertical curve
21 distance. (Art. V Sec. 8.2.1 existing
22 code).
- 23 e. No horizontal road grade shall be less
24 than one percent.

25 8.2.8 Cut and Fill. All roads and streets shall
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1 be located so as to minimize areas of cut and fill and in
2 general all streets shall be located to conform to sound
3 terrain management principles. (See Art. V. Sec. 8.2.1 in
4 existing Code) In general, fill slopes shall not exceed a
5 3:1 ratio and cut slopes shall not exceed a 2:1 ratio unless
6 it can be demonstrated with additional submittals prepared
7 by a licensed engineer that subject soils are stable enough
8 to sustain higher cut and fill ratios.

9 8.3 Local Gravel Roads (new material)

10 8.3.1 Soil classification and subgrade conditions
11 shall determine the base course thickness required. A
12 minimum of six (6) inches of base course shall be required
13 in all cases and more than six (6) inches may be required if
14 soil conditions so indicate. In wet or swampy ground, rock
15 or an acceptable alternative to rock as recommended by a
16 licensed soils engineer shall be placed so as to establish a
17 sub-base for placement of base course. Base course shall be
18 watered and rolled to a compaction of not less than ninety-
19 five (95) percent of maximum density, according to methods
20 specified by the AASHTO, T-180 moisture density test.

21 8.3.2 Base course and sub-base aggregate shall
22 meet the gradation requirements specified in Table 304,
23 Class I, II or III, NMSHD 'Standard Specifications for Road
24 and Bridge Construction' and shall have a plasticity index
25 of 8 to 12%, a copy of which is on file for public
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1 inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Plasticity
2 index does not apply to roads to be constructed for a paved
3 surface.

4 8.3.3 There shall be a minimum of 3% crown in the
5 driving surface for water runoff.

6 8.3.4 Adequate provisions for drainage shall be
7 installed at all waterway crossings. Culverts shall be
8 sized to accommodate a 25 year storm, with provisions to
9 safely pass a 100 year storm. Culverts shall also be of
10 sufficient gauge or thickness and length, and placed
11 appropriately deep to withstand projected traffic loading
12 and storm runoff. Where necessary to accommodate roadside
13 drainage, driveways entering roads shall have culverts
14 installed of 18" minimum diameter, so as not to impede
15 flowing water. Driveways shall also be designed and
16 constructed so as to prevent flowing water from entering
17 onto or crossing the roadway. A paved dip section may be
18 constructed under appropriate conditions to accommodate
19 minor drainage for local roads.

20 8.3.5 The New Mexico State Highway Department
21 (NMSHD) "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge
22 Construction", NMSHD "Standards and Criteria for Safer Off
23 System (SOS) projects and System Bridge Replacement (BRO)
24 projects", and the NMSHD Geometric Design Guide ~~for local~~
25 ~~roads and streets~~ shall apply to all ~~gravel~~ road projects in
26 the County. ~~whether public or private.~~ A copy of each is
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1 available for public inspection in the office of the County
2 Public Works Director.

3 8.4 Sidewalks and Paths -- Requirements (new material)

4 When appropriate for purposes of public safety,
5 sidewalks or walking paths may be required with paved roads
6 of arterial classification. Surfacing of public sidewalks
7 along roads may include concrete or brick. Other hard
8 surface materials may be used if evidence is shown that they
9 are coordinated with streetscape and project design.

10 ~~8.5 Easements and Right of Way~~

11 ~~8.5.1 Utility easements centered on rear or side~~
12 ~~of lot lines shall have a minimum width of 12 feet. These~~
13 ~~easements must be approved by the local utility companies.~~
14 (See Sec. 8.6 infra).

15 ~~8.5.2 When a subdivision is traversed by a~~
16 ~~watercourse, drainage way, channel or storm drainage, the~~
17 ~~plat must provide a right of way conforming with the lines~~
18 ~~and flood plan of such watercourse. [See Sec. 8.6 infra.]~~

19 8.5 Curb and Gutter Requirements - Waivers (new
20 material)

21 Where development conditions indicate, curb and
22 gutter may be required for collector or arterial roads in
23 order to control storm water run off or facilitate the
24 movement of traffic. Curb and gutter may be waived if the
25 following conditions are met to the satisfaction of the
26 Board.

1 8.5.1 An alternative design is provided showing
2 that the waiver will not contribute to the deterioration of
3 the pavement edge. Alternative design means a design
4 according to AASHTO Standards.

5 8.5.2 A drainage report, a site-by-site drainage
6 and storm water control plan, or other analysis is provided
7 showing curbing is not necessary to channel storm water;
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9 8.5.3 Substantial evidence is provided showing
10 the curbing is not necessary to confine driveway access to
11 specific locations to maintain the function of the road or
12 street.

13 ~~8.6 Buffer Strips~~

14 ~~It is required that in residential districts a~~
15 ~~buffer strip at least one hundred (100) feet in depth in~~
16 ~~addition to the normal lot depth required be provided~~
17 ~~adjacent to all railroad right-of-ways, limited access~~
18 ~~highway right-of-ways and commercial developments. This~~
19 ~~strip may be a part of the platted lots, but shall have the~~
20 ~~following restriction lettered on the face of the plat:~~
21 ~~"This strip reserved for the planting of trees or shrubs by~~
22 ~~the developer or owner the building of structures hereon is~~
23 ~~prohibited". This shall not apply to marginal access~~
24 ~~(service) roads. [See Sec. 8.1.4e of this draft]~~

25 8.6 Utility, or drainage easements (new material)
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1 8.6.1 Utility easements shall be centered on the
2 lot lines. Such easements shall be located according to a
3 plan approved by the appropriate utility companies and the
4 Board. Easements placed diagonally across tracts shall be
5 avoided. Utility easements shall be at least ten feet wide.

6 8.6.2 a. Utility easements are encouraged to be
7 placed parallel to access easements so that maintenance of
8 electric, gas or water lines will not create the need to
9 disturb the road or street.

10 b. In the event utility installation or
11 maintenance requires disturbance of a road or street, such
12 road or street will be restored to a condition equal to or
13 better than its original status.

14 8.6.3 Where a subdivision is traversed by a water
15 course, drainageway, channel or stream, there shall be a
16 storm water or drainage right-of-way provided conforming
17 substantially with the lines of such water course. (Art. V,
18 Sec. 8.5.2 in existing Code).

19 8.6.4 Access and utility easements are normally
20 combined unless topographical, existing utility easements,
21 or other conditions prevail and may be located outside of or
22 adjacent to right-of-way reserved for roads.

23 8.7 Blocks (Art. V, Sec. 8.3 in existing Code)

24 The length of blocks shall be between 400 and
25 1,500 feet. The width of the block shall be sufficient to
26 provide two (2) rows of lots. A block may be one lot in
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1 depth where a single tier of lots is required to separate
2 residential development from a ~~major street~~ highway or
3 arterial road or a non-residential use.

4 8.8 Lots (Art. V. Sec. 8.4 in existing Code)

5 8.8.1 Shapes and location of lots shall be
6 governed by topographic conditions, use and surrounding or
7 adjacent areas.

8 8.8.2 Every lot shall have egress and ingress to
9 a public ~~thoroughfare~~ or private road network or system.

10 8.8.3 Double frontage lots should be avoided.
11 Backing a lot up to an existing ~~high traffic road~~ highway or
12 arterial is not considered as double frontage, provided a
13 buffer strip or extra depth has been added to the lot. (See
14 Art. V, Sec. 8.1.4, e infra.) The front of the lot shall be
15 designated on the plat.

16 8.8.4 Side lot lines shall be substantially at
17 right angles or on a radial line to street lines.

18 ~~8.8.5 Whenever there is a conflict between these~~
19 ~~standards and those contained in a zoning ordinance,~~
20 ~~building code or other official regulations, the highest~~
21 ~~standard shall apply.~~

22 ~~8.8.6 Caution should be exercised in the layout~~
23 ~~of lots adjacent to a highway with a large traffic count and~~
24 ~~adjacent to a railroad, because of the noise level and night~~
25 ~~lights. Normally, these lots should be deep.~~

26 ~~8.8.7 When a commercial or industrial area is a~~
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1 ~~part of or all of a subdivision, consideration must be given~~
2 ~~to provide off road parking when sizing the lots.~~

3 8.9 Parking (Art. V, Sec. 8.7 of existing Code)

4 Depth and width of properties reserved or laid out
5 for commercial use and industrial purposes shall be adequate
6 to provide for the off-road services and parking facilities
7 required by the type of use and development contemplated as
8 specified in the provisions of the Code.

9 ~~8.10 Group Development~~ (Art V. Sec. 8.8 of existing
10 Code)

11 ~~The standards and requirements of these~~
12 ~~regulations may be modified by the Board of County~~
13 ~~Commissioners in the case of a plan and program for a~~
14 ~~complete group development, which in the judgment of the~~
15 ~~County Development Review Committee provides adequate public~~
16 ~~spaces and improvements for the circulation, recreation,~~
17 ~~light, air and service needs of the tract when fully~~
18 ~~developed and populated and which also provides such~~
19 ~~covenants or other legal provisions as will assure~~
20 ~~conformity to and achievement of the plan.~~

21 8.10 Whenever there is a conflict between these
22 standards and those contained in a zoning ordinance,
23 building code or other official regulation, the highest
24 most stringent standard shall apply. (Art. V, Sec 8.8.5 of
25 existing Code)

26 Section 9. Required Improvements.
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1 9.1 Monuments

2 All primary subdivision boundary corners and the
3 intersections of road centerlines shall be marked with
4 permanent monuments at that point or if necessary with an
5 offset marking. A permanent monument shall be ~~deemed to be~~
6 ~~concrete with a minimum dimension of four inches extended~~
7 ~~three feet below the finished grade~~ a brass or aluminum cap.
8 The concrete monument shall be a minimum of six (6) inches
9 in diameter and shall be extended thirty (30) inches below
10 finished grade; in addition, a) any described mark shall be
11 permanently affixed to rock or concrete through the use of
12 an expansion bolt, set in a drilled hole with a ferrous
13 metal rod (rebar or pipe) of a minimum length of forty
14 eight (48) inches, or b) a survey post approved by the
15 Bureau of Land Management, or c) any monument of higher
16 standards may be substituted.

17 Secondary monuments may be rebar, pipe or other metal
18 rod, not less than 1/2" diameter and 16" in length with
19 surveyor's registration number on cap which may be aluminum,
20 plastic, brass or comparable material. Secondary monuments
21 shall be set at all lot corners, points of curve and
22 boundary angle points.

23 9.2 Roads

24 Required road improvements depend upon the number
25 of lots within the proposed subdivision and ~~minimum lot size~~
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the average daily traffic (ADT) as specified in Schedule A.

SCHEDULE A

REQUIRED STREET IMPROVEMENTS BY TYPE *

Lot Size in Acres

Number — Less Than — 1.0-2.5 Ac — 2.5-5.0 Ac — 5.0 or more

of Lots — 1.0 Acre

5-100 — A-1 — A-2 — A-3 — A-4

101 or more — A-1 — A-2 — A-2 — A-3

[Schedule A, Required Street Improvements by Type * is repealed and replaced by Schedule A, Required Road Improvements by Scale of Development: Residential Uses.]
 Appendices B-1, Road Classification and Design Standards, and B-2.1 Minor Arterial Roads, B-2.2 Collector roads and B-2.3 Local Roads are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference herein.

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SCHEDULE A
REQUIRED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS BY SCALE OF DEVELOPMENT
RESIDENTIAL USES

	Number of lots or units			
	0 - 99	100 - 199	200+	
Average Daily Traffic (ADT) *	0 - 600	601 - 1200	1201 - 5000	5000+
Required Improvement ¹	Local ²	Collector ³ Local	Minor Arterial ⁴ Collector Local	Arterial ⁵ Minor Arterial Collector or Local

* Assumes 6 trips per day per unit.

¹ Certain developments are large enough to require several types of roads to be constructed. For example, in those developments where both a local road and a collector road are shown to apply, local road specifications would apply to roads carrying the least amount of traffic and collector road specifications would apply to principle entry and exit roads carrying the greatest amount of traffic.

² A local road is a gravel road with a 24' or 20' driving surface. (Appendix B-2.3)

³ A collector road is a paved road with a 24' driving surface. (Appendix B-2.2)

⁴ A minor arterial is a paved road with a 24' driving surface and a constructed shoulder with a 6 : 1 ratio. (Appendix B-2.1)

⁵ An arterial road has multiple 12' driving, acceleration, or deceleration lanes as required to accommodate the average daily traffic, turning functions, and safety

See the Road Classification and Design Standard Matrix for right-of-way standards and other design requirements. (Appendix B-1)

APPENDIX B-1

ROAD CLASSIFICATION AND DESIGN STANDARDS

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	AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC	NUMBER OF LOTS OR UNITS	NUMBER OF DRIVING LANES	MINIMUM RIGHT OF WAY REQUIREMENTS	DESIGN SPEED MPH	MAXIMUM PERCENT GRADE	MINIMUM AGGREGATE BASE COURSE	MINIMUM PLANT MIX BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT (Hot Mix)	FOOTNOTE REFERENCE FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS
Footnote Reference*	3	4	3,7,10	1			5,6,7,8,9,12	11	1, 2,3,4,6,7
Major Arterial or Highway	5000 +	N/A	2-6	100'	45-55	6%	6"	5"	1, 2,3,4
Minor Arterial	1200 to 5000	200 +	2-4	66'	45-55	8%	6"	4"	1, 2,3,4,5,6,7,10,
Collector	60 to 1200	100 to 199	2	50'	35	10%	6"	3"	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,10
Local Subcollector	181 to 594	31 to 99	2	50'	25	11%	6"	N/A	1, 3,4,6,7,8,9,10, 11,12,13
Place, lane or Cul-de-sac	0 to 180	0 to 30	2	50'	10	11%	6"	N/A	

- 1 Improvements such as turning lanes, acceleration/deceleration lanes, additional right-of-way, signs or other markings, additional base course, additional driving surface, shoulder construction, widened sections, or paving may be required.
- 2 Sidewalk and curb and gutter may be required (depending on density or density transfer).
- 3 To be determined by traffic impact study, NMSHD counts, and/or County counts; as well as number of lots or units adding traffic to a road.
- 4 Determined by submittals.
- 5 Structural pavement design report shall be required.
- 6 Construction in accordance with ASHTO standards.
- 7 Bridge, sidewalk, curb and gutter, culvert or other construction in accordance with ASHTO standards and the NMSHD Road and Bridge requirements.
- 8 A plasticity index of 8-12% required.
- 9 Up to 12" of base course material may be required if soil conditions indicate.
- 10 Lanes may be separated by a parkway; construction and paving may be phased.
- 11 Local roads do not have a paving requirement.

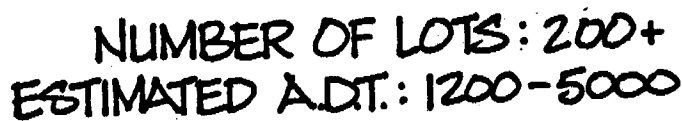
12 A six inch minimum sub-grade preparation is required, or greater depending on location or soil conditions.

13 Cut and fill easements may be placed in lieu of additional right-of-way where terrain constraints require wide curves.

* Footnotes refer to both the horizontal and vertical categories.

** Average daily traffic assumes six trips per day per dwelling unit or building lot.

MINOR ARTERIAL



FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS SEE APPENDIX B-1 AND THE TEXT OF ARTICLE V, Sections 8 and 9.

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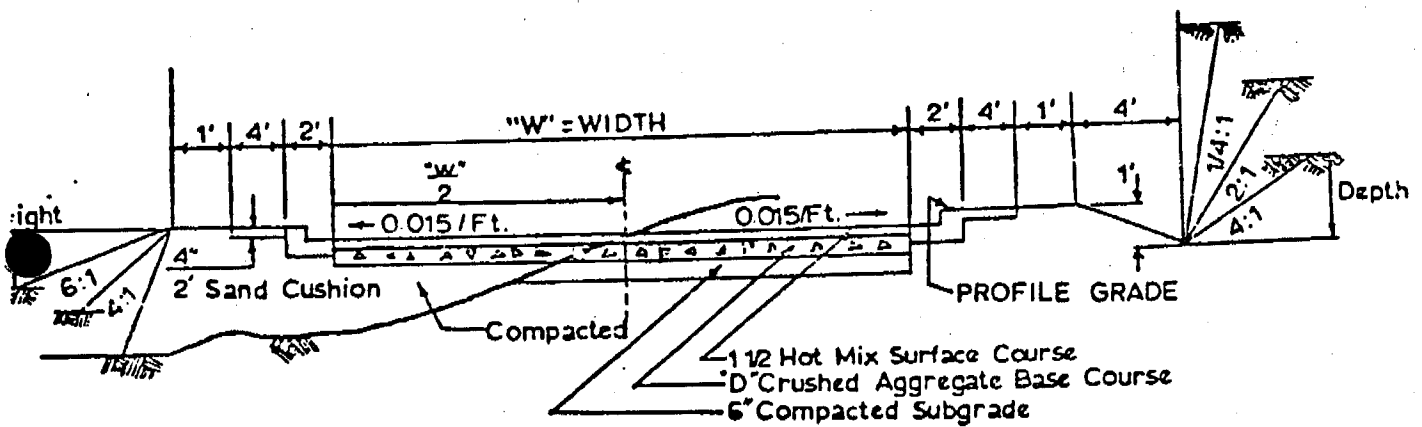
TYPE A-1 ROADWAY

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INCLUDING 1½" HOT MIX SURFACE COURSE.

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NUMBER OF LOTS SERVED	"D"	"W"	DESIGN SPEED M.P.H.
5 to 29	6"	32'	25
30 to 49	6"	32'	25
50 to 99	6"	32'	30
100 to 499	6"	32'	35
500 to 1099	8"	44'	60



FILL SLOPES

6:1 0' to 2' Height
4:1 2' to 5' Height
2:1 over 5' Height

CUT SLOPES

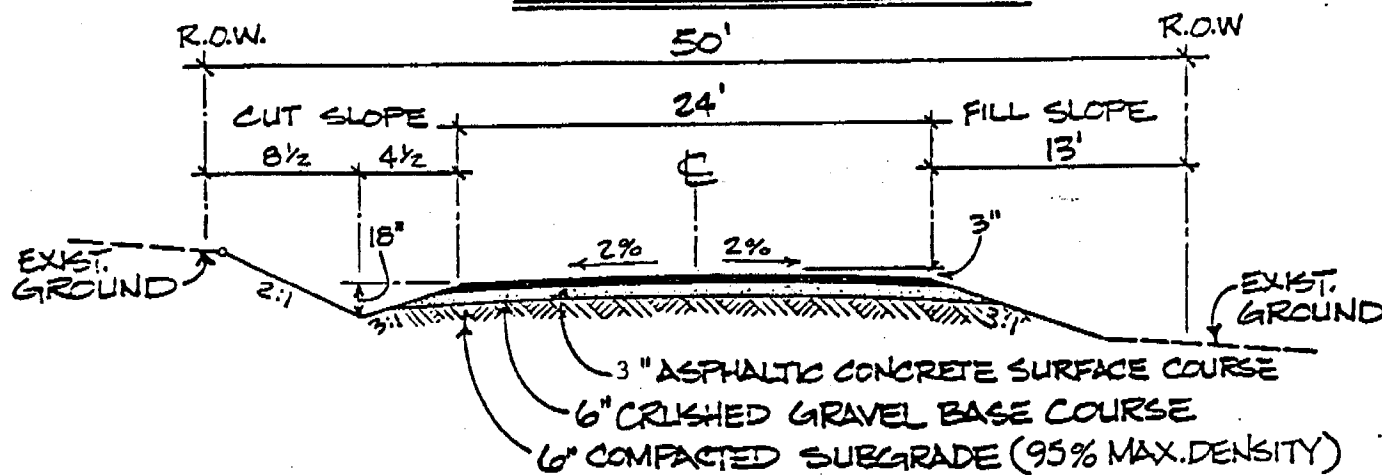
4:1 0' to 5' Depth
2:1 over 5' Depth
½:1 Rock

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APPENDIX B-2.2

COLLECTOR ROAD

NUMBER OF LOTS: 100 - 199
 ESTIMATED A.D.T.: 601 - 1200

THE PLASTICITY INDEX DOES NOT APPLY TO ROADS THAT ARE TO BE PAVED.

FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS SEE APPENDICES B-1 and B-2.1

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TYPE A-2 ROADWAY

1½" HOT MIX SURFACE COURSE

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TYPE A-3 ROADWAY

DELETE HOT MIX SURFACE COURSE

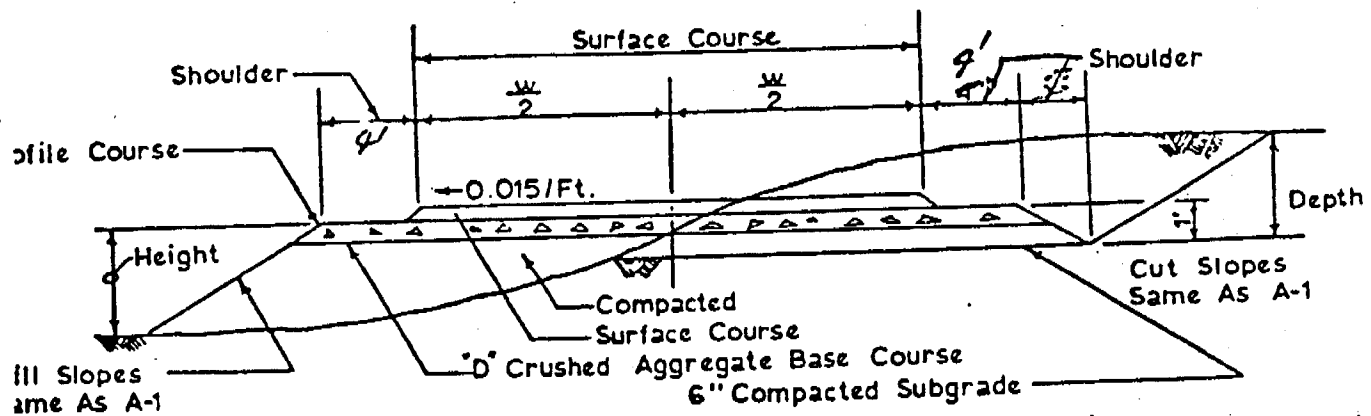
NUMBER OF
LOTS
SERVED"D""W"DESIGN
SPEED M.P.H.

5 to 29
30 to 49
50 to 99
100 to 499
500 to 1099

6"
6"
6"
6"
8"

32'
32'
32'
32'
44'

25
25
30
35
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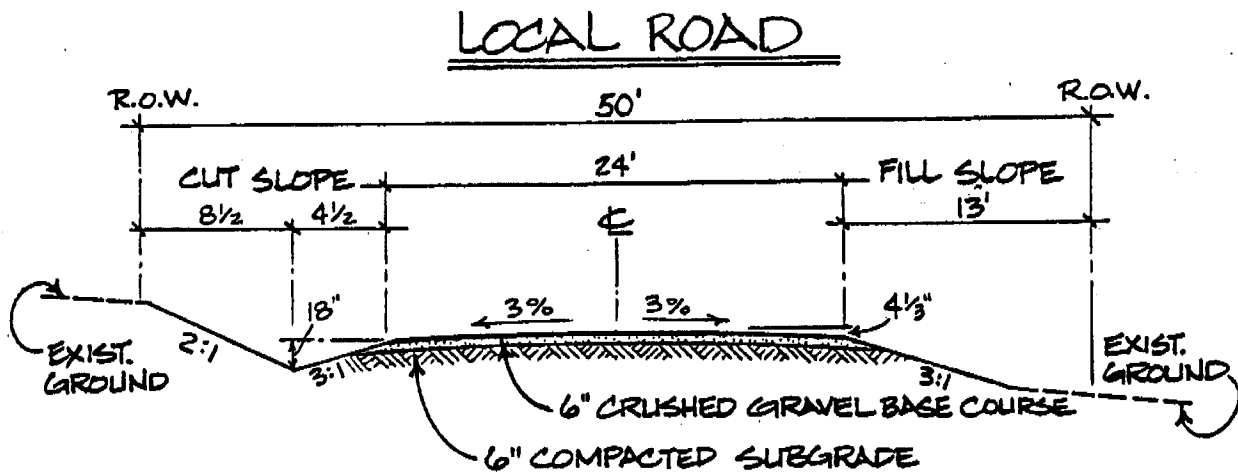


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NUMBER OF LOTS: 0 - 99

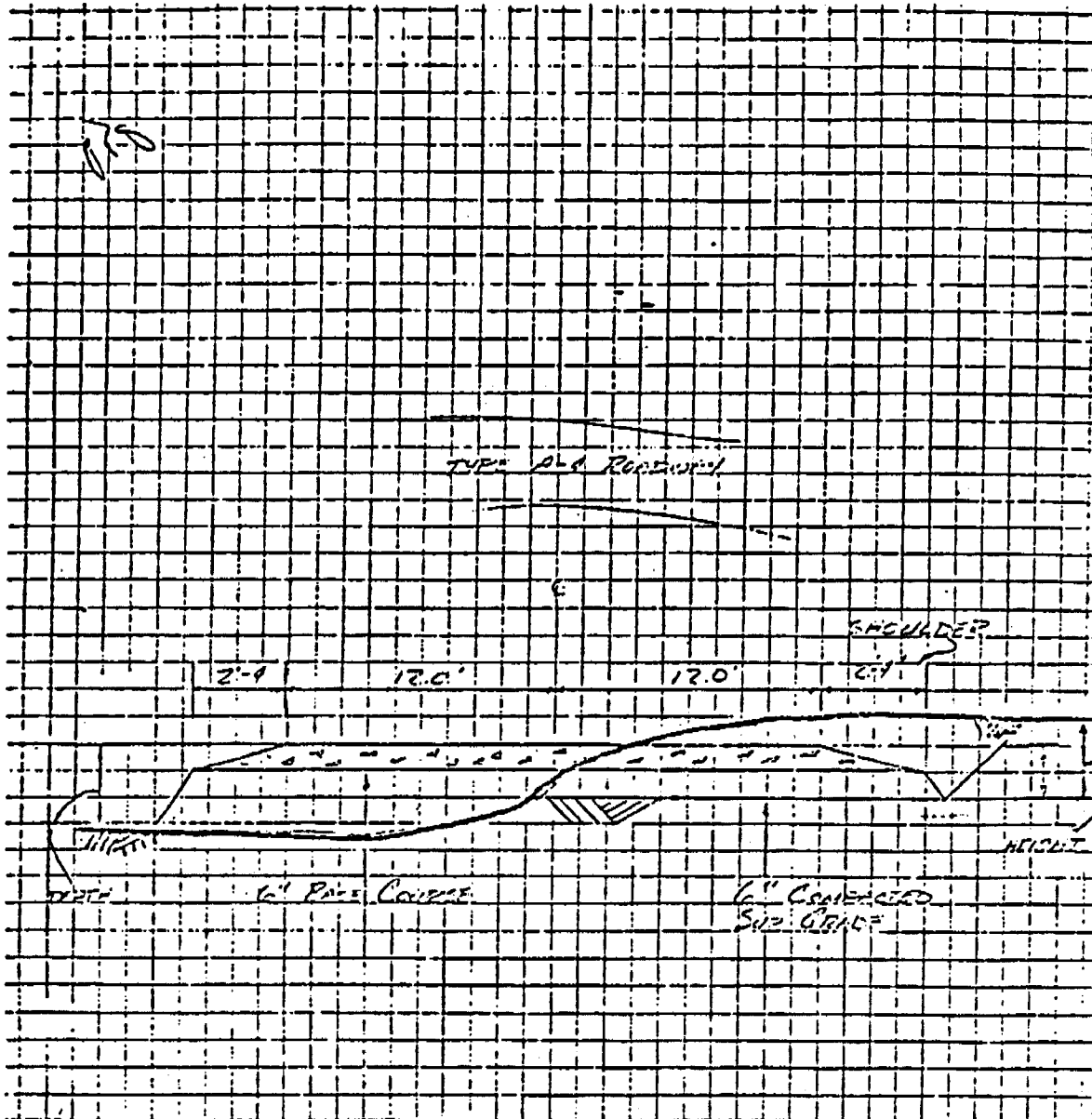
ESTIMATED A.D.T.: 0 - 600

A PLASTICITY INDEX (P I) OF 8% to 12% IS REQUIRED.

95% MAXIMUM DENSITY COMPACTION IS REQUIRED.

FOR OTHER REQUIREMENTS SEE APPENDICES B-1 and B-2.1

TYPE A-4 ROADWAY



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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF June,
1987 AS AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NUMBER 1980-6.

SANTA FE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Bennie J. Chavez
BENNIE J. CHAVEZ, CHAIRMAN

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:
CAMPOS AND SANCHEZ, P.A.

[Signature]
COUNTY ATTORNEY

ATTEST:

[Signature]
JONA G. ARMIJO, COUNTY CLERK

This ordinance was received in the Santa Fe County Ordinance
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COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
I hereby certify that this instrument was filed
for record on the 26 day of June A.D.
19 87 at 2:25 o'clock P m.
and was duly recorded in book 585,
page 53 of the records of Santa Fe County.
Witness my Hand and Seal of Office
Jona G. Armijo
County Clerk, Santa Fe County, N.M.

[Signature]
Deputy