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Standards Update Transmittal

Reference Number: 2023-08
Standards: Standard Construction Specifications, Section 7-8.01

Update:

1. Modification to Standard Construction Specifications:
 - a. Revise Section 7-8.01 “Allowable Times and Hours of Work”, to allow lane closures starting at 9:00 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m.
 - b. Revise Section 7-8.01 to allow work on City recognized holidays at the discretion of the Engineer.
 - c. Revise Section 7-8.02 “Off-Period Work”, to be consistent with the changes to holiday work in Section 7-8.1.

Effect of Update:

1. Due to Senate Bill No. 328 requiring that “the school day for high schools, including high schools operated as charter schools, shall begin no earlier than 8:30 a.m.” the City standards are being updated to start lane closures at 9:00 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. to allow parents dropping off kids to return to their work or home destinations prior to start of lane closure and related construction activities.
2. This update would alleviate traffic congestion, limit resident complaints, and allow for consistent and uninterrupted road work operations throughout the City.
3. Changes to work on City recognized holidays, at the discretion of the Development Services Director, allow construction during holidays with less traffic impacts.

Request for Update Initiated By: Kristin Parsons, Deputy PW Director 9/22/22

Update Reviewed for Conformity and Consistency to Standards: *Shoab Ahrary* 6/20/2023 | 2:59 PM PDT

Shoab Ahrary, PE, ESD Manager Date

Update to Standards Approved: *Jeffrey R. Werner* 6/21/2023 | 5:11 PM PDT

Jeffrey R. Werner, PE, City Engineer Date

7-8 PEAK HOURS, HOURS OF DARKNESS, HOLIDAYS, AND WEEKENDS

7-8.01 Allowable Times and Hours of Work

Unless otherwise noted in the Special Provisions or approved by the Engineer, no work shall be done between the hours of 6 p.m. and 7 a.m., or on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays. Unless otherwise noted in the Special Provisions or approved by the Engineer, no lane of traffic shall be closed to the public during the peak hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., except as necessary for the proper care and protection of work already performed or in case of an emergency repair as defined below. Exceptions are allowed only with the Engineer's written permission.

7-8.02 Off-Period Work

A written request to work between 6 p.m. and 7 a.m. or on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays, or to close a lane of traffic during peak hours must be submitted at least two (2) Working Days in advance of the intended work. The Engineer will evaluate the Contractor's request to determine if there is a benefit to the City, a nuisance or a hazard to the public, the project, or the area surrounding the site, and if the Contractor should pay any City overtime costs related to the off-period work. The Engineer may place conditions on any approval of off-period work based on this analysis. In response to complaints related to construction noise, traffic, or safety issues; work may be suspended or revoked at the sole discretion of the Engineer.