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Sec. 4-1-1 Permit to dig in streets.

No person, firm or corporation shall make any excavations or openings or dig any ditch, trench, tunnel or hole in, along, across or under any street, sidewalk or other public place for the purpose of laying or placing therein any pipe, wires, poles or for any other purposes, unless a written permit therefore has been issued by the City Clerk. A permit shall not be required where the work is performed under a contract with the City but in the event that work requires a sidewalk or street to be wholly or partially obstructed, the person shall notify the City Clerk and the police department at least two (2) hours before obstructing the sidewalk or street, unless prevented by sudden emergency.

Sec. 4-1-2 Same; application for permit.

All persons desiring a permit in order to make an opening in any street or sidewalk, as set forth in section 4-1-1, shall make written application therefore, which application shall show the location of the proposed opening, the purpose therefore and the approximate number of square yards of surface to be cut.

Sec.4-1-3 Same; City indemnified.

Any person, firm or corporation obtaining a permit, as provided for in sections 4-1-1 and 4-1-2 agrees, as a condition of the issuance of the permit to indemnify and hold harmless the City against any claims or expenses, including attorney's fees for bodily injury or property damage, for accidents or occurrences arising out of the person's or corporation's operations.

Sec. 4-1-4 Street repair.

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When any part of any street, sidewalk, alley or other public place of the City shall be torn or dug up for any purpose, the person, firm or corporation making that excavation or opening shall have the duty of refilling the excavation or opening so as to restore it to essentially the same condition that existed prior to the excavation or opening. Any person, firm or corporation, neglecting, refusing or failing to comply with any provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation thereof; and where any neglect, refusal or failure is continued, after notice from the City Clerk, every day's continuance thereafter shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

Sec. 4-1-5 Excavations; leaving unprotected.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation who obtains a permit under the sections of this chapter to do any excavation of any kind which may create or cause a dangerous condition in or near any street, alley, sidewalk or public place of the City without placing and maintaining proper guard rails and signal lights or other warnings at, in or around the work, sufficient to warn the public of any excavation or work, and to protect all persons using reasonable care from injuries on account of work.

Sec. 4-1-6 Sidewalk construction.

No sidewalk of any description shall be built by any individual, firm or corporation, of any brick, concrete, wood or other material without a written permit from the City.

Sec. 4-1-7 Streets and sidewalks not to be damaged.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to drag or run, or cause to be dragged or run any harrow or other implement, engine, machine or tool upon any asphalt, concrete, pavement or other type of permanently paved street or sidewalk of the City which shall be able to in any way injure or cut the surface thereof. It shall also be unlawful to injure any dirt street in the same manner.

Sec. 4-1-8 Violation.

All persons found guilty of a violation of this chapter shall be punished as provided in section 1-1-5 of this code.