

# VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK

## ORDINANCE NO. 2023-23

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK AMENDING CHAPTER 333 "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS," ARTICLE V, "EXCAVATIONS," SECTION 32 "FEE SCHEDULE," OF THE VILLAGE CODE

**WHEREAS**, the above section of the Village Code was established by adoption of Ordinance No. 3-83 on March 8, 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, the road opening fee schedule set therein has become out of line with regional practice and Village needs, necessitating this update.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park, as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 333-32 of the Village Code is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the underlined text and deleting the struck-through text, as follows:

#### § 333-32 Fee schedule.

A Application fee, nonrefundable.

(1) Road opening.

(a) First five linear feet: ~~\$300.~~ \$15.

(b) From five linear feet to 25 linear feet, to be defined as the longest dimension: an additional ~~\$350.~~ \$10.

(c) From 25 linear feet to 50 linear feet: an additional ~~\$400.~~ \$25.

(d) Extensive openings, each additional 50 feet: ~~\$100.~~ \$50.

(2) Curb, gutter, apron, sidewalk or driveway: lump sum of \$15.

(3) Application fees may be accumulated in one account, and said funds can be utilized for the payment of expenses incurred by the Village for any work performed for a permittee without restriction as to which application the funds were originally posted.

B Security deposit fee for guaranteeing restoration, pavement, curbing or topsoil.

(1) A deposit of \$2,500 escrow, refundable after 1 year is required.

(2) Applicant must submit a request in writing in order to receive their refunded deposit.

~~(1) Opening paved areas, curb, gutter, sidewalk or driveway.~~

~~(a) Base charge: \$25.~~

~~(b) Charge for each square yard of trench opened: \$15.~~

~~(c) Charge for each square yard of paving: \$5.50.~~

~~(d) Charge for each linear foot of curb: \$7.~~

~~(2) Opening shoulders and roadside areas.~~

~~(a) Base charge: \$25.~~

~~(b) Charge for each square yard of trench opened: \$5.~~

C Escrow deposit fee, engineering and legal costs.

(1) All road openings, excavations, borings and other work as stated on the permit application.

(a) Base charge, including first five square yards of any trench, driveway or sidewalk opened, torn up or excavated and including the first 20 linear feet of any curb or gutter torn up or excavated: an additional fee of \$100.

(b) For all work proposed on each application that exceeds the quantities delineated in Subsection C(1)(a) above, a work schedule shall be submitted to and approved by the Village and/or its designated representative, who shall estimate the total escrow deposit fee required based thereon. If at any time during the course of the work it appears evident to the Village and/or its designated representative that the escrow deposit fee is or will be insufficient to cover all costs of inspection and/or other professional services, additional escrow deposit fees shall be estimated by the Village and paid to the Village, based on a revised work schedule to be submitted by the applicant. This procedure shall be repeated as often as necessary to guarantee sufficient escrow deposit fees being available.

(2) Actual payments from the escrow deposit fee fund shall be based on the following rates:

(a) Professional engineering services: minimum fee of \$50 per hour.

(b) Attorney: ~~\$75~~ \$150 per hour.

**Section 2.** If any section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the specific section, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain valid and effective.


**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after adoption and publication as required by law.


  
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Commissioner Gerken

Absent  
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Commissioner MacNeill

/s/ Mark C. Olson  
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Commissioner Olson

  
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Commissioner Portorreal

  
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Mayor Anlian

  
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Village Clerk  
Adopted on December 21, 2023