



COUNCIL MEETING DATE: March 28, 2022

TO: President Heather Graham and Members of City Council

CC: Nicholas A. Gradisar, Mayor

VIA: Marisa Stoller, City Clerk

FROM: Andrew E. Hayes, P.E., Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING STANDARD CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS AND STANDARD DETAILS FOR THE CITY OF PUEBLO, COLORADO DATED APRIL 11, 2022

SUMMARY:

This Resolution adopts the Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details for the City of Pueblo, Colorado, dated April 11, 2022.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

City Council adopted the current Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details (the Standards) for the City of Pueblo, Colorado, Resolution No. 8155, on June 9, 1997.

Subsequently, the Standards were revised by Resolutions 9225, 10129, 10349 and 14332 on February 26, 2001, May 24, 2004, March 28, 2005, and December 23, 2019, respectively.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Works Department – in coordination with other departments responsible for managing the City's public infrastructure systems – develops construction standards and specifications that apply to all City projects. The Standards also apply to construction work performed by developers and builders responsible for constructing public improvements in residential, commercial, and industrial developments within the City.

These standards ensure that public infrastructure can safely meet the needs and demands of the public; that the City remains in compliance with state and federal law; and that the City responsibly approaches the management of the *total life-cycle cost* of constructing, operating, and maintaining its infrastructure systems. The Standards generally do not specify *what types* of improvements must be constructed for a given

project, but they do address the required quality, materials, dimensions, capacities, and other physical and functional characteristics for public infrastructure systems.

City staff from each of the departments that manage and operate public infrastructure have worked diligently since January 2021 to review each section to ensure that the document is aligned with industry standards; that required materials, designs, and construction practices meet the public's needs; and that all specified materials are readily available in the local marketplace. Staff also compared the City's Standards with those of state agencies and other municipalities along the Front Range to ensure that the revised Standards would not create any competitive disadvantage for Pueblo's continuing development as compared to neighboring cities and communities.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

Not applicable.

STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:

Since October, the Public Works Department staff has engaged with the Committee on Community Development (made up of local engineers, designers, builders, developers, representatives from PEDCO, and City Council members) to review and provide feedback on the updated content. Meetings and discussions have also been held with local material suppliers. Feedback received as a result of these interactions has been considered and appropriate revisions have been made throughout the review process.

The Public Works Department desires to continue working with the Committee and other stakeholders on an annual basis to discuss specific areas of concern and any issues that may arise over time with respect to the Standards.

ALTERNATIVES:

The existing Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details will remain in effect if the Resolution is not approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval of the Resolution.

Attachments:

Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details for the City of Pueblo, Colorado dated April 11, 2022.

RESOLUTION NO. 14853

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING STANDARD CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS AND STANDARD DETAILS FOR THE CITY OF PUEBLO, COLORADO DATED APRIL 11, 2022

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PUEBLO, that:

SECTION 1.

Pursuant to and in furtherance of sections 4-2-2 (8), 12-3-1, 12-4-7 (J)(2), 12-4-7 (J)(5)(b), 12-4-7 (J)(5)(c), 12-4-7 (J)(8), 12-6-5 (f), and 12-6-9 of the 1971 Code of Ordinances of the City of Pueblo, as amended, and upon recommendation by the City Engineer, City Council does hereby adopt and approve the Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details for the City of Pueblo, Colorado, published April 11, 2022 by the Department of Public Works, a true copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference (hereinafter referred to as the "Standard Specifications").

SECTION 2.

City Council declares that the design and construction of all public improvements within the public rights-of-way, or on private property where required by a subdivision improvement agreement, shall be performed and installed in conformance with said Standard Specifications and all other provisions of Title 12 of the 1971 Code of Ordinances, as amended.

SECTION 3.

City Council declares that all excavations and backfills within the public rights-of-way shall be performed in conformance with the applicable provisions of said Standard Specifications, and all other provisions of Title 12 of the 1971 Code of Ordinances, as amended.

SECTION 4.

After adoption of this Resolution, a true copy of the Standard Specifications shall be maintained on file in the office of the City Clerk for public inspection. Copies of the Standard Specifications shall be made available through the City's Department of Public Works.

SECTION 5.

This Resolution and the Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details hereby approved and adopted amend and supersede in their entirety Resolution Numbers 8155, 9225, 10129, 10349 and 14332 and the prior Standard Construction Specifications and Standard Details including all revisions previously adopted by said Resolutions.

SECTION 6.

The officers and staff of the City are authorized to perform any and all acts consistent with the intent of the Resolution to implement the policies and procedures described herein.

SECTION 7.

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon final approval.

INTRODUCED: March 28, 2022

BY: Vicente Martinez Ortega
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL

APPROVED: 
PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL

ATTESTED BY: 
CITY CLERK

PASSED AND APPROVED: April 11, 2022