# MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

**Sewer Specifications and Requirements** 

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# EXCAVATION, BACKFILL AND FILL

# 1. SEPARATION OF SURFACE MATERIALS

The Contractor shall remove only as much of any existing pavement as is necessary for the prosecution of the work.

# 2. WIDTH OF TRENCH

Pipe trenches shall be as narrow as practicable and shall not be widened by scraping or loosening materials from the sides. Every effort shall be made to keep the sides of the trenches firm and undisturbed until backfilling has been completed and consolidated.

Trenches shall be excavated with approximately vertical sides between the elevation of the center of the pipe and an elevation 1 ft. above the top of the pipe.

# 3. TRENCH EXCAVATION

Where pipe is to be laid in crushed stone bedding, the trench may be excavated by machinery to, or to just below, the designated subgrade, provided that the material remaining at the bottom of the trench is no more than slightly disturbed.

# 4. UNAUTHORIZED EXCAVATION

If the bottom of any excavation is taken out beyond the limits indicated or prescribed, the resulting void shall be backfilled with thoroughly compacted, screened gravel, if the excavation was for a pipeline, or with concrete, if the excavation was for a masonry structure.

# 5. EXCAVATION NEAR EXISTING STRUCTURES

Attention is directed to the fact that there are pipes, drains, and other utilities in certain locations.

As the excavation approaches pipes, conduits, or other underground structures, digging by machinery shall be discontinued and the excavation shall be done by means of hand tools. Such manual excavation when incidental to normal excavation shall be included in the work to be done under items involving normal excavation.

Where determination of the exact location of pipe or other underground structure is necessary for doing the work properly, the Contractor may be required to excavate test pits to determine such locations.

# 6. ELIMINATION OF UNSUITABLE MATERIAL

If material unsuitable for foundation is found at or below the grade to which excavation would normally be carried, the Contractor shall remove such material to the required width and depth and replace it with thoroughly compacted, screened gravel or concrete as directed.

# 7. SHEETING AND SHORING

The Contractor shall be responsible for supporting and maintaining excavations required hereunder, even to the extent of sheeting or shoring the sides and ends of excavations with timber or steel sheet piling. The requirements of sheeting or shoring or the addition of supports shall not relieve the Contractor of his responsibility for their sufficiency.

All timbering shall be removed except that for the purpose of preventing injury to the piping or other structures, to other property or to persons.

# 8. <u>REMOVAL OF WATER</u>

Until final acceptance of the work, the Contractor shall pump out or otherwise remove and dispose of as fast as it may collect, any water, sewage or other liquids which may be found or may accumulate in the excavations, regardless of whether it be water or liquid wastes from his own contract or from any existing conduits, works, or surface runoff.

There shall be upon the work at all times during the construction, proper and approved machinery of sufficient capacity (including spare units kept ready for immediate use in case of breakdowns) to meet the maximum requirements for the removal of the water or other liquids and their disposal in such a manner as not to withdraw sand or cement from the concrete and so as not to interfere with the proper laying of pipe and/or masonry or the prosecution of work under this or other contract nor endanger existing structures.

# 9. PROTECTION TO EXISTING STRUCTURES, VEGETATION

All existing walks, pipes, conduits, poles, wires, fences, stairways, curbings, property line markers, walls, buildings and other structures which do not require to be changed in location, shall be carefully supported and protected from injury by the Contractor, and in case of injury, they shall be restored by him to as good condition as that in which they were found.

# 10. BACKFILLING PIPE TRENCHES

As soon as practicable after the pipes have been laid or the structures have been built and are structurally adequate to support the loads, including construction loads to which they will be subjected, the backfilling shall be started and thereafter it shall proceed until completion.

a. <u>Zone Around Pipe</u>. The space between the pipe and bottom side of the trench shall be packed full by hand shovel with sand. In placing the material, care shall be taken that stones do not strike the pipe. The backfill under the pipe shall be thoroughly compacted using curved tamping bars. Sand backfill at the sides and up to the top of the pipe shall be compacted using approved hand tampers. Sand backfill up to a level of 1 ft. above the top of the pipe shall be placed in 6-in. layers, leveled along with the length and width of the trench, and thoroughly compacted using approved tampers. No sand shall be placed above the top of the pipe until sand under and at the sides of the pipe has been compacted. Care shall be taken in the use of mechanical or other tampers not to injure or move the pipe or to cause the pipe to be supported unevenly.

b. <u>Materials.</u> The nature of the materials will govern both their acceptability for backfill and the methods best suited for their placement and compaction in the backfill. In general, material used for backfilling trenches and excavations around structures shall be suitable materials which was removed in the course of making the construction excavations.

No stone or rock fragment larger than 12 in. in greatest dimension shall be placed in the backfill nor shall large masses of backfill material be dropped into the trench in such a manner as to endanger the pipeline. If necessary, a timber grillage shall be used to break the fall of material dropped from a height of more than 5 ft. Pieces of bituminous pavement shall be excluded from the backfill unless their use is expressly permitted, in which case they shall be broken up as directed.

c. <u>Remainder of Trench</u>. The remainder of the trench above the zone around the pipe shall be compacted by tamping as directed or approved in accordance with the nature of the material.

d. <u>Tamping</u>. Compaction shall be accomplished by tamping, or under appropriate circumstances, rolling. The material shall be deposited and spread in uniform, parallel layers not exceeding 8 in. thick before compaction. Before the next layer is placed, each layer shall be tamped as required so as to obtain a thoroughly compacted mass. If necessary, the Contractor shall furnish and use an adequate number of power driven tampers, each weighing at least 20 lbs., for this purpose. Care shall be taken that the material close to the bank, as well as in all other portions of the trench, is thoroughly compacted. When the trench width and the depth to which backfill has been placed are sufficient to make it feasible, and it can be done effectively and without damage to the pipe, backfill may, on approval, be compacted by the use of suitable rollers, tractors, or similar powered equipment instead of tamping. For compaction by tamping (or rolling), the rate at which backfilling material is deposited in the trench shall not exceed that permitted by the facilities for its spreading, leveling, and compacting as furnished by the Contractor.

If necessary to ensure proper compaction by tamping (or rolling), the material shall first be wet by sprinkling. However, no compaction by tamping (or rolling) shall be done when the material is too wet either from rain or too great an application of water to be compacted properly; at such times the work shall be suspended until the previously placed and new materials have dried out sufficiently to permit proper compacting, or such other precautions shall be taken as may be necessary to obtain proper compaction.

e. <u>Miscellaneous Requirements.</u> Whatever method of compacting backfill is used, care shall be taken that stones and lumps shall not become nested and that all voids between stones shall be completely filled with fine material. Only approved quantities of stones and rock fragments shall be used in the backfill. The Contractor shall, as part of the work done under the times involving earth excavation and rock excavation as appropriate, furnish and place all other necessary backfill material.

# 11. FILL AND BACKFILL UNDER STRUCTURES AND ROADS

All fill and backfill under structures and pavements adjacent to structures shall be compacted bank-run gravel containing not more than 5% passing a 200 sieve. The entire backfill shall be compacted to 95% of maximum density at optimum moisture as determined by Method "D" of ASTM D1557-78 Standard Test Methods for Moisture-Density Relations of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures Using 10lb. (4.54-kg) Rammer and 18 in. (457mm) Drop.

# ROCK EXCAVATION

#### 1. WORK INCLUDED

The Contractor shall excavate within the lines and grades as shown or required and shall satisfactorily dispose of any rock, boulders, or existing concrete, stone or masonry which may be encountered in the work.

The word "rock" shall mean boulders and pieces of masonry or concrete exceeding one cubic yard in volume, or solid ledge rock which in the opinion of the Engineer requires for its removal, drilling and blasting or wedging, or sledging, or barring, or breaking up with a power operated tool. No soft or disintegrated rock which can be removed with a hand pick or power operated excavator or shovel; no loose, shaken or previously blasted rock or broken stone in rock fillings or elsewhere; and no rock, exterior to the minimum limits allowed, which may fall into the excavation will be allowed.

# 2. BLASTING AND EXPLOSIVES

Where blasting is necessary, it shall be done in accordance with all ordinances and other pertinent regulations. Such ordinances, regulations and orders shall not, however, relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for damages caused by him or his employees.

# SAND AND GRAVEL

# 1. <u>SAND</u>

a. Sand shall be the fine granular material naturally produced by the disintegration of rock and shall be sufficiently free of organic material, mica, loam, clay and other deleterious substances. In no case shall sand containing lumps of frozen materials be used.

b. <u>Gradation of Sand</u>. In case visual inspection of the sand indicates that it is too coarse, the following gradation shall determine its acceptability:

Sieve Size	Percentage Passing Sieves
3/8"	100
#4	95-100
#8	65-90
#16	45-75
#30	30-50
#50	10-22
#100	2-8
#200	3

# 2. BANK-RUN GRAVEL

a. <u>General.</u> The Contractor shall furnish, place, and compact bank-run gravel as indicated on the drawings or directed and as herein specified.

b. <u>Gravel.</u> Bank-run gravel shall be a granular material well graded from fine to coarse with a maximum size of 3 in. obtained from approved natural deposits and unprocessed except for the removal of unacceptable material and stones larger than the maximum size permitted. It shall not contain vegetation, masses of roots, or individual roots more than 18 in. long or more than ½ in. in diameter. It shall be substantially free from loam and other organic matter, clay, and other fine or harmful substances.

c. <u>Placing and Compacting</u>. The bank-run gravel shall be spread in layers of uniform thickness not exceeding 8 in. before compaction and moistened or allowed to dry as directed. Then it shall be thoroughly compacted by means of suitable power-driven tampers or other power-driven equipment.

# SCREENED GRAVEL

# 1. GENERAL

The Contractor shall furnish, place, and compact screened gravel in authorized excavation below normal depth and elsewhere, as ordered.

# 2. GRAVEL

The materials hall be screened gravel, well graded in size of 3/8 in to 3/4 in. or such other sizes as may be approved. The gravel shall consist of clean, hard, and durable particles or fragments, free from dirt, vegetable, or other objectionable matter, in excess of soft, thin, elongated, laminated or disintegrated pieces. Crushed rock of suitable size and grading may be used instead of screened gravel.

#### 3. PLACING AND COMPACTING

The material shall be spread in layers of uniform thickness not greater than 6 in. and then shall be thoroughly compacted by means of a suitable vibrator or mechanical tamper.

# **CONCRETE**

# 1. WORK INCLUDED

The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, tools and equipment necessary to construct the concrete work required by this contract. This will include thrust blocks at pipe bends and tees in trenches, and for all miscellaneous concrete work ordered in the field to meet field conditions.

# 2. MATERIALS

a. All materials are to be carefully selected so as to be free of deleterious amounts of acid, alkali and organic material. If these materials are stored at the job they shall be placed where no foreign materials will be introduced and no deterioration of the cement will take place. Latest revisions of A.S.T.M. Specifications are to be followed.

- b. Portland Cement shall conform to A.S.T.M. C150-85a.
- c. Aggregate shall conform to A.S.T.M. C33-86.
- d. Reinforcing bars shall conform to A.S.T.M. A615-85 or A.S.T.M. A617-84, Grade 40.

# 3. CONCRETE QUALITY

Concrete shall have a minimum ultimate 28 days compressive strength of 3000 lbs. per square inch using a maximum water content of 6 gallons per bag of cement. The aggregate shall be proportioned to give a dense concrete of this required strength using a maximum aggregate size of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches.

Concrete for pavement replacement shall conform to the requirements of the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation.

# 4. MIXING AND PLACING

a. Concrete shall be mixed until there is a uniform distribution of the materials and shall be discharged completely before the mixer is recharged.

b. For job-mixed concrete, the mixer shall be rotated at a speed recommended by the manufacturer, and mixing shall be continued for at least one minute after all materials are in the mixer.

c. Ready-mixed concrete shall be mixed and delivered in accordance with the requirements set forth in the standard specifications for Ready-Mixed Concrete A.S.T.M. c94-86a.

d. Provisions shall be made for maintaining concrete in a moist condition for at least 5 days after placement. Concrete shall be protected against wash by ground water in ditches.

e. Adequate equipment shall be provided for protecting the concrete from freezing. No frozen material or materials containing ice shall be used. No dependence shall be placed on salt or other chemicals for the prevention of freezing.

f. Admixtures shall be in conformance with the recommendations and requirements of Form 813 and shall be approved by the Engineer prior to use.

# MANHOLES

#### 1. GENERAL

The Contractor shall furnish all materials and shall construct all the manholes required including the frames, covers, and steps.

# 2. DESCRIPTION

Manholes shall conform in shape, size, dimensions, materials, and other respects to the details indicated on the detail drawing specifications, or as approved by the City.

Manholes may have cast in place concrete bases and may be precast units. Invert channels may be formed in the concrete of the base or may be formed of brick and mortar upon the base.

Manhole barrels and domes shall be precast concrete sections. The top 8 in. shall be built of brick or concrete grading rings to permit adjustment of the frame to meet the street surface. The inverts shall conform accurately to the size of the adjoining pipes. Side inverts shall be curved and main inverts (where direction changes) shall be laid out in smooth curves of the longest possible radius which is tangent to the centerlines of adjoining sewers.

# 3. PRECAST CONCRETE SECTIONS

Precast concrete sections shall conform to the A.S.T.M. Standard Specifications for Precast Reinforced Concrete Manhole Sections, Designation C478-85a, with the following exceptions and additional requirements:

The barrel shall not be less than 5 in. thick.

Type II cement shall be used except as otherwise approved.

Joints between sections shall be made with round (0-ring) rubber gaskets with a shitable groove on the spigot ends and shall conform to the A.S.T.M. Standard Specifications for Joints for Circular Concrete sewer and Culvert Pipe, Using Rubber Gaskets, Designation C443-85a.

Manhole sections shall contain manhole steps accurately positioned and embedded in the concrete when the section is cast.

Sections shall be cured by subjecting them to thoroughly saturated steam at a temperature between 100 and 130 deg. F. for a period of not less than 12 hours or, when necessary, for such additional time as may be needed to enable the section to meet the strength requirements.

The joint for the pipe at the base section shall consist of a Lock Joint flexible sleeve (imbedded in the wall of the base section) and a stainless steel strap to provide a water tight seal and allow a flexible joint. (Or Approved Equal)

No more than two lift holes may be cast or drilled in each section.

The date of the manufacture and the name or trademark of the manufacturer shall be clearly marked on the inside of the barrel.

Acceptance of the sections will be on the basis of material tests and inspections of the completed product.

Cones shall be precast sections of the eccentric type.

If precast concrete sections are used, the tops of the bases shall be suitably shaped by means of accurate bell-ring forms to receive the barrel sections.

# 4. SETTING PRECAST MANHOLE SECTIONS

Precast-reinforced concrete manhole sections shall be set so as to be vertical and with sections and steps in true alignment.

Rubber gaskets shall be installed in all joints in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

All holes in the sections used for their handling shall be thoroughly plugged with rubber plugs made specifically for this purpose or with mortar. The mortar shall be one part cement to 2 parts sand, mixed slightly damp to the touch (just short of "balling), hammered into the holes until it is dense and an excess of past appears on the surface, and then finished smooth and flush with the adjoining surfaces.

# 5. BRICK

The brick shall be sound, hard, and uniformly burned brick, regular and uniform in shape and size, of compact texture, and satisfactory to the Engineer. Brick shall comply with the A.S.T.M. Standard Specification for Sewer Brick and Manhole Brick (made from Clay or Shale) Designation C32-73 (Reapproved 1984) for Grade SS, hard brick, except that the mean of five tests for absorption shall not exceed eight percent by weight.

Rejected brick shall be immediately removed from the work.

# 6. MORTAR FOR BRICKWORK

The mortar shall be composed of portland cement, hydrated lime, and sand, in which the volume of sand shall not exceed three times the sum of the volumes of cement and lime. The proportions of cement and lime shall be as directed and may vary from 1:  $\frac{1}{4}$  for dense, hard-burned brick to 1:3/4 for softer brick. In general, mortar for Grade SS brick shall be mixed in the proportions of 1:  $\frac{1}{2}$ :4-1/2.

Cement shall be Type II portland cement as specified for concrete masonry.

# 7. LAYING BRICKWORK

Only clean bricks shall be used in brickwork for manholes. The brick shall be moistened by suitable means, as directed, until they are neither so dry as to absorb water from the mortar nor so wet as to be slippery when laid. Each brick shall be laid in a full bed and joint of mortar without requiring subsequent grouting, flushing, or filling, and shall be thoroughly bonded as directed.

# 8. COATING

The exterior surfaces of all manholes shall be given two coats of bituminous waterproofing material. The material shall be Minwax Fibrous Coat made by Minwax Co., New York, N.Y.; Tremco 121 Foundation Coating made by Tremco Mfg. Co., Cleveland, Ohio; Inertol No. 7 made by the Inertol Co., Inc., Newark, N.J.; or approved equal product. The waterproofing material shall be applied by brush or spray and in accordance with the instructions of the manufacturer. Time shall be allowed between coats to permit sufficient drying so that the application of the second coat has no effect on the first coat.

# 9. MANHOLE FRAMES AND COVERS

The Contractor shall furnish all cast-iron manhole frames and covers.

The cast-iron frames and covers shall be Pattern No. 1009 manufactured by the Campbell Foundry Co., Harrison, N.J., or approved equal product.

The frames and covers shall be set by the Contractor to conform accurately to the grade of the finished pavement, or existing ground surface.

The castings shall be of good quality, strong, tough, even-grained cast iron, smooth, free from scale, lumps, blisters, sandholes, and defects of every nature which would render them unfit for the service for which they are intended. Contact surfaces of covers and frame seats shall be machined to prevent rocking of covers. (4-5/8") vent holes min).

All castings shall be thoroughly cleaned and subject to a careful hammer inspection.

Castings shall be at least Class 30 conforming to the A.S.T.M. Standard Specification for Gray Iron Castings, Designation A48-83.

Before being shipped from the foundry, castings shall be given one coat of coal-tar-pitch varnish, applied in a satisfactory manner so as to make a smooth coating, tough, tenacious, and not brittle or with any tendency to scale off.

# 10. SETTING MANHOLE FRAMES AND COVERS

Manhole frames shall be set with the tops conforming accurately to the grade of the pavement or finished ground surface or as indicated on the drawings or directed. Frames shall be set concentric with the top of the mansonry and in a full bed of mortar so that the space between the top of the manhole masonry and the bottom flange of the frame shall be completely filled and made watertight. A thick ring of mortar extending to the outer edge of the masonry shall be placed around and on top of the bottom flange. The mortar shall be smoothly finished and have a slight slope to shed water away from the frame.

Manhole covers shall be left in place in the frames on completion of other work at the manholes.

# 11. STUBS IN MANHOLES

Stubs placed as specified and indicated on the drawings shall extend into the manhole with sufficient clearance to allow a standard joint to be made.

# 12. MANHOLE STEPS

Unless otherwise indicated, manhole steps shall be of aluminum. Aluminum manhole steps for precast concrete sections shall be Stock No. 12653B made by Aluminum Company of America and Allegheny Foundry Co., or Stock No. F-14-2B made by New Jersey Aluminum Co., or an approved equal product. Before the steps are built into the masonry and after thorough cleaning, those parts of aluminum steps which will be embedded shall be given a protective coating of an approved, heavy-bodied, bituminous material. The cleaning shall be done by suitable means with suitable cleaning agents to ensure that the surfaces to be coated are free from all foreign matter such as dirt, oil, and grease. The steps shall be thoroughly rinsed and dried before the coating is applied and the coating shall have become thoroughly dry before the steps are built into the masonry.

# POLYVINYL CHLORIDE SANITARY GRAVITY SEWER PIPE

# 1. GENERAL

The Contractor shall furnish, lay, joint and test the polyvinyl chloride sanitary sewer pipe, fittings and appurtenances.

# 2. <u>PIPE AND FITTINGS</u>

Polyvinyl chloride sanitary sewer pipe shall be composed of clean, virgin class 12454-B PVC compounds according to ASTM Standard Specifications, Designation D3034-85A. All pipe and fittings shall be SDR 35 heavy wall pipe having bell and spigot with rubber ring joints as manufactured by Johns-Manville, Certainteed, or approved equal product.

Joints for the pipe shall be of the integral bell type, consisting of an integral wall section with a solid cross section rubber ring securely set in place to prevent dislocation of the ring.

The pipe shall be furnished in standard 20 foot and 12.5 foot laying lengths.

Minimum pipe stiffness at 5% deflection shall be 46 PSI for all sizes when tested in accordance with ASTM D2412-77, Standard Test Method for External Loading Properties of Plastic Pipe by Parellel-Plate Loading.

# 3. HANDLING AND CUTTING PIPE

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that polyvinyl chloride pipe and fittings used with the pipe are comparatively brittle. Care shall be taken in handling and laying pipe and fittings to avoid damaging the pipe and fittings.

Any fittings showing a crack, and any fitting or pipe which has received a severe blow that may have caused an incipient fracture, even though no such fracture can be seen, shall be marked as rejected and removed at once from the work.

Polyvinyl chloride pipe shall be cut by means of a hand saw, "metal inserted" abrasive wheels, or by plastic tubing cutters with blades, not rollers, doing the cutting. All cut ends shall be examined for possible cracks caused by cutting. All burrs from both the inside and outside of the pipe must be removed with a knife, file or reamer prior to jointing the pipe.

# 4. JOINTING PIPE AND FITTINGS

Polyvinyl chloride sanitary sewer pipe and fittings shall be jointed in accordance with the latest detailed instructions of the manufacturer.

The Contractor shall furnish coupling pullers for jointing the pipe. Gasket-feeler gauges shall be available for use by the pipe layer and the Engineer for checking the position of the rubber gaskets in the completed joint.

# 1. LOW PRESSURE AIR TESTS

Tests shall be conducted on all sewers as soon after installation and partial backfill has been completed in a manner and sequence as approved by the Engineer.

Equipment shall be Cherne Air-Loc Equipment as manufactured by Cherne Industrical, Inc., Edina, Minnesota, or an approved equal. Equipment shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Pneumatic plugs shall have a sealing length equal to or greater than the diameter of the pipe to be tested.
- b. Pneumatic plugs shall be able to resist internal test pressures without requiring external bracing or blocking.
- c. All air used shall pass through a single control panel.
- d. Three individual hoses shall be used for the following connections:
  - 1. From control panel to pneumatic plugs for inflations.
  - 2. From control panel to sealed line for introducing the low pressure air.
  - 3. From sealed line to control panel for continually monitoring the air pressure rise in the sealed line.

#### 2. PROCEDURES

All pneumatic plugs shall be seal tested before being used in the actual test installation. One length of pipe shall be laid on the ground and sealed at both ends with the pneumatic plugs to be used in the testing. Air shall be introduced into the plugs to 25 psig. The sealed pipe shall be pressurized to 10 psig. The plugs shall hold against the 10 psig pressure without bracing and without movement of the plug.

After a manhole to manhole reach of pipe has been backfilled and cleaned, and the pneumatic plugs are checked by the above procedure, the plugs shall be placed in the line at each manhole and inflated to 25 psig. Low pressure air shall be introduced into the sealed line until the internal air pressure reaches 4 psig greater than the average back pressure of any groundwater that may be over the pipe. At least two minutes shall be allowed for the air pressure to stabilize.

After the stabilization period (3.5 psig minimum pressure in the pipe), the air hose from the control panel to the air supply shall be disconnected. The portion of the line being tested shall be termed "Acceptable" if the time required in minutes for the pressure to decrease from 3.5 to 2.5 psig (greater than the average back pressure of any groundwater that may be over the pipe) shall not be less than the time shown for the given diameters in the following table.

#### **TEST CRITERIA**

Pipe Diameter In Inches	Minutes (Minimum)
4	2.0
6	3.0
8	4.0
10	5.0
12	5.5
15	7.5
18	8.5
21	10.0
24	11.5

Groundwater pressure shall be determined by measuring the average height of the groundwater table in feet above the invert of the section of pipe being tested. The height in feet shall be divided by 2.3 to determine the pounds of pressure that shall be added to all test pressures. For example, if the average height of groundwater over the pipe invert is 11.5 feet, the pressure to be added would be 5 psig (11.5 divided by 2.3 = 5.0) Therefore, the starting pressure of 3.5 psig would be increased to 8.5 psig and the drop in pressure should fall to no less than 7.5 psig instead of 2.5 psig. The allowable drop of one pound and the time start would remain unchanged. All sections of pipe that fail to meet the criteria of the test shall be rejected and the Contractor shall determine the source of leakage and repair or replace defective work in a manner satisfactory to the City, and retest until the test criteria are satisfied.

# POLYVINYL CHLORIDE LOW PRESSURE SEWER PIPE

# 1. GENERAL

The Contractor shall furnish, lay, joint and test the polyvinyl chloride low pressure sewer pipe, fittings and appurtenances.

# 2. <u>PIPE AND FITTINGS</u>

Polyvinyl chloride low pressure sewer pipe and fittings shall be Schedule 40, solvent weld pressure pipe conforming to ASTM Standard Specifications, Designation D2241084 and D1784-81 and shall be of the sizes as indicated on the drawings. The pipe and fittings shall be as manufactured by Johns-Manville, Certainteed, or approved equal product.

Fittings for solvent weld pressure pipe shall have a pressure rating not less than that of the pipe and be fully compatible with the pipe supplied without alteration.

Joints for the pipe shall be solvent weld, polyvinyl chloride joints and shall be made in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations or as directed by the Engineer.

The pipe shall be furnished in standard 20 foot laying lengths.

All fittings and bends a required shall be backed up with class B concrete thrust blocks as indicated on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer.

# 3. HANDLING AND CUTTING PIPE

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that polyvinyl chloride pipe and fittings used with the pipe are comparatively brittle. Care shall be taken in handling and laying pipe and fittings to avoid damaging the pipe and fittings.

Any fittings showing a crack, and any fitting or pipe which has received a severe blow that may have caused an incipient fracture, even though no such fracture can be seen, shall be marked as rejected and removed at once from the work.

Polyvinyl chloride pipe shall be cut by means of a hand saw, "metal-inserted" abrasive wheels, or by plastic tubing cutters with blades, not rollers, doing the cutting. All cut ends shall be examined for possible cracks caused by cutting. All burrs from both the inside and outside of the pipe must be removed with a knife, file or reamer prior to jointing the pipe.

# 4. JOINTING PIPE AND FITTINGS

Polyvinyl chloride low pressure sewer pipe and fittings shall be jointed using solvent weld, polyvinyl chloride joints in accordance with the latest detailed instructions of the manufacturer.

# 5. INSTALING PIPE AND FITTINGS

No defective pipe or fittings shall be installed. Any piece discovered to be defective after having been laid shall be removed and replaced with a sound piece.

Each pipe and fitting shall be cleared of all debris, dirt, etc., before being installed and shall be kept clean until accepted in the completed work.

Each length of pipe shall be shoved home against the pipe previously laid and held securely in position. Joints shall not be "pulled" or "cramped" without approval of the Engineer.

Before any joint is made, the pipe shall be checked to assure that a close joint with the next adjoining pipe has been maintained and that the inverts are matched and conform to the required grade. The pipe shall not be driven down to the required grade by striking it.

Pipe or fittings shall not be left permanently supported on saddles or blocking, but shall be firmly supported by screened gravel or sand as indicated on the drawings.

The screened gravel or sand shall be thoroughly compacted under the pipe so as to obrain a substantial unyielding bed shaped as indicated on the drawings. After each pipe has been properly bedded, enough screened gravel or sand shall be placed between the pipe and the sides of the trench, and thoroughly compacted, to hold the pipe in correct alignment. Holes provided for jointing shall be filled and compacted and then screened gravel or sand shall be placed as indicated on the drawings.

Adjacent to structure walls, the pipe shall be provided with a concrete cradle as indicated on the details. Class B Concrete shall be used, or if the Contractor prefers, Class A concrete for the structure base may be extended to the cradles.

The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions to prevent flotation of the pipe in the trench.

Hydrated lime shall be Type S conforming to the ASTM Standard Specifications for Hydrated Lime for Masonry Purposes, Designation C207-79 (Reapproved 1984).

The sand shall comply with the specifications for "Fine Aggregate" for concrete masonry except that all of the sand shall pass a No. 8 sieve.

# 6. TEMPORARY PLUGS

When pipe laying is not in progress, the open ends of the pipe shall be closed with temporary watertight plugs. If water is in the trench when work is resumed, the plug shall not be removed until all danger of water entering the pipe is eliminated.

Pipelines shall not be used as conductors for trench drainage during construction.

Leakage tests shall be conducted by maintaining the pipe under a pressure, as measured at the point of lowest elevation, of 50 pounds per square inch for at least 2 hours. Care should be taken to expel all air from the pipes when filling with water. The quantity of water measured to maintain the test pressure shall not exceed 0.009 gallons per inch of diameter per 24 hours per joint. If the leakage exceeds this rate, the Contractor must repair, replace or relay sections of pipe and repeat the tests until satisfactory to the Engineer.

# CURB VALVES AND APPURTENANCES

# 1. GENERAL

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The Contractor shall furnish all curb valves and appurtenances as indicated on the drawings and as herein specified.

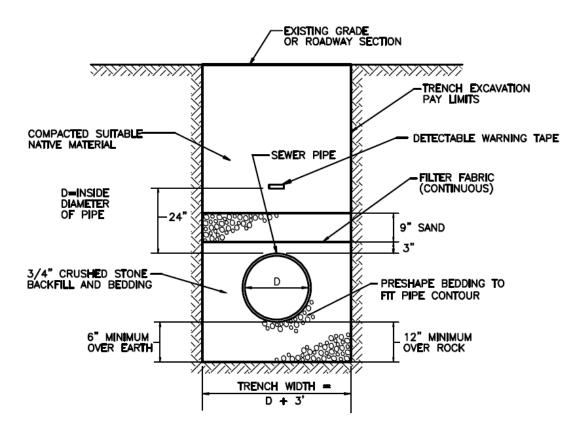
# 2. CURB VALVES AND APPURTENANCES

Curb valves shall be Mueller Oriseal Model H-10291 or be approved equal.

Cast iron valve box including lid and plug, footpiece and stationary rod shall be Mueller Model H-10386 or an approved equal. The work "sewer" shall be cast on the cover. The length of the valve box shall be as necessary to suit the ground elevation.

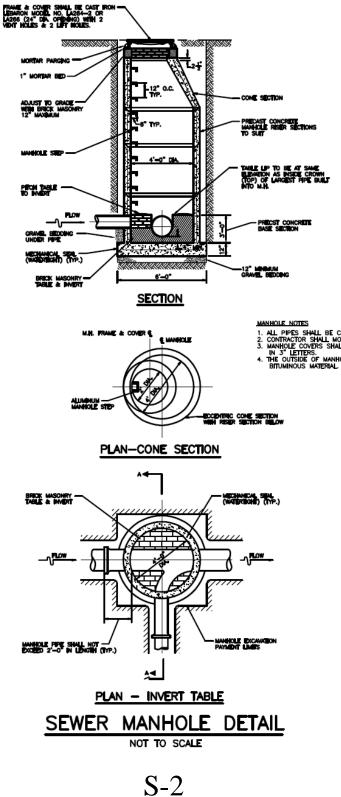
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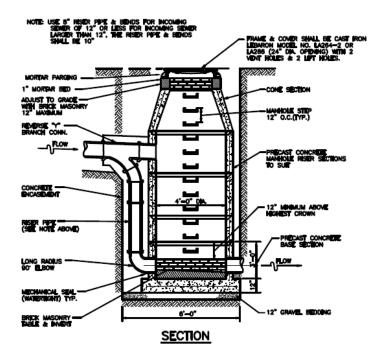


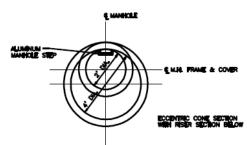
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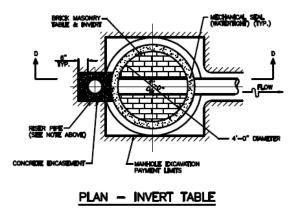


- MANHOLE NOTES 1. ALL PIPES SHALL BE CUT FLUSH WITH INSIDE WALL OF STRUCTURE. 2. CONTRACTOR SHALL MORTOR IN LIFTING HOLES. 3. MANHOLE COVERS SHALL HAVE THE WORDS "SEWER" CAST INTO THE CENTER IN 3" LETTERS. 4. THE OUTSIDE OF MANHOLE STRUCTURES SHALL BE PAINTED WITH 2 COATS OF BITUMINOUS MATERIAL.



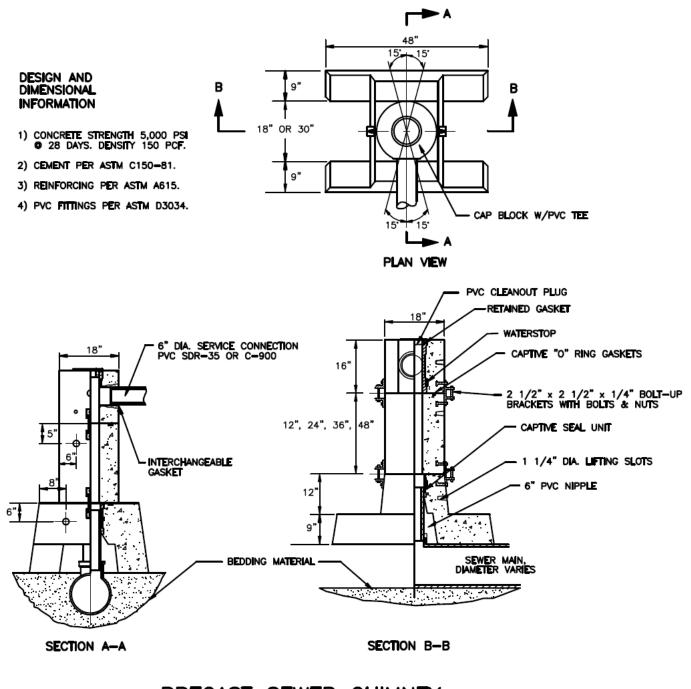






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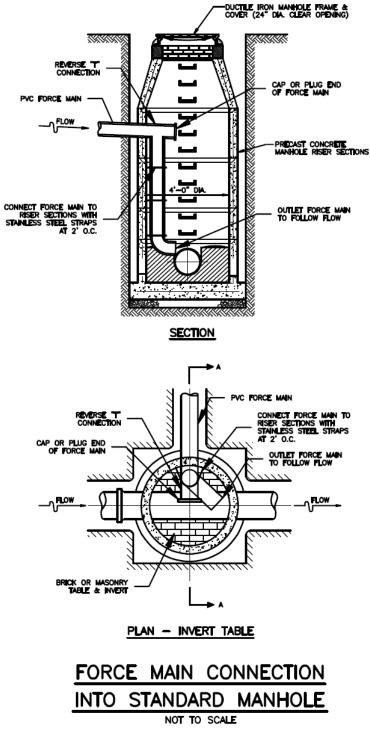
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# PRECAST SEWER CHIMNEY

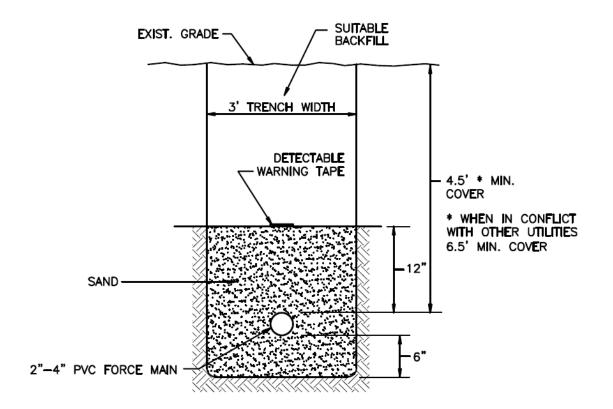
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FORCE MAIN TRENCH DETAIL

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