

ORDINANCE

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKS – DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS

COMMITTEE: PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

FIRST CONSIDERATION: March 21, 2019

FINAL CONSIDERATION: April 16, 2019

ORDINANCE # 175 – 4/19 PUBLICATION DATE April 25, 2019

The County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County does ordain as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND S. 8.04(6) OF CHAPTER 8 OF THE GENERAL CODE
OF LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGARDING DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO COUNTY TRUNK HIGHWAYS**

ANALYSIS

This modification would provide consistency in the width of driveways with driveway access to county trunk highways in both urban and rural areas. This change would require the following:

TABLE – RURAL DRIVEWAY WIDTH (at culvert)

Use of Property to be Served by Driveway	Minimum Width Of Driveway	Maximum Width Of Driveway
Residential	16 feet	22 feet
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Commercial	20 feet	32 feet
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TABLE – URBAN DRIVEWAY WIDTH (at sidewalk)

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INFORMATION:

County Board Rules: Governing Body s. 2.02(8) states, in part: Ordinances are drafted by the Corporation Counsel. After the ordinance has been reviewed by a standing committee, each Supervisor will be given a copy of the ordinance showing the deleted language (grayed) and the new language (underlined) and an analysis of the intent of the ordinance. After introduction to the County Board, the ordinance shall be referred to the next monthly meeting unless waived by a 2/3 vote of the Supervisors present and a public hearing may be held if requested by a Supervisor. An amendment may be introduced and debated at either the original or the referred meeting. Copies of the ordinances of the County of La Crosse in their entirety are available with Corporation Counsel, County Clerk, or www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/code/.

(rev. 3/03)

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Section 1.

8.04(6) DESIGN. All driveways shall:

(a) Be constructed at a 90° angle (perpendicular) to the roadway that it abuts, for at least 20 feet from the edge of the pavement of the roadway.

(b) Be constructed at a maximum slope of 5% for at least 20 feet from the edge of the pavement of the roadway, and a slight depression shall be constructed across the drive so as to insure that drainage and debris not be discharged to the County Trunk Highway or roadway.

(c) Be constructed so as to support typical vehicle traffic during all weather conditions.

(d) Be constructed so as to eliminate the tracking of material off of the driveway onto the roadway.

(e) Be constructed so that the width of a driveway complies with the following tables:

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Widths at the highway shall conform to Standard Detail Drawings that will be provided by the Highway Department.

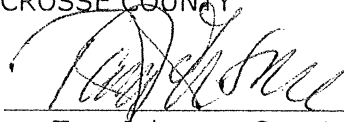
(f) The County Highway Commissioner is authorized to determine if a culvert is required. Any required culvert shall be installed entirely at the applicant's expense. Any culvert in the County Trunk Highway right-of-way must be designed to carry a minimum of a 25 year storm event, which is 2.9 inches of rainfall within a 24 hour period, unless otherwise directed by the County Highway Commissioner. The County Highway Commissioner may require that a culvert design be submitted by a registered professional at the applicant's expense.

(g) The culvert shall be a minimum of 18 inches corrugated metal pipe. Any culvert that is not Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) or Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP) shall be certified by a registered professional as appropriate for the construction of said driveway.

(h) All culverts shall be designed with adequate length and appropriate apron ends, unless otherwise directed by the County Highway Commissioner.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

LA CROSSE COUNTY

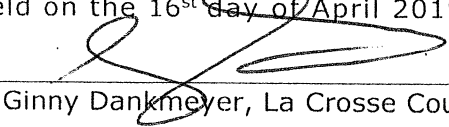
By: 
Tara Johnson, County Board Chair

By: 
Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk

PASSED: April 16, 2019
PUBLISHED: April 25, 2019

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original ordinance required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 16th day of April 2019.


Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk