



Irrigation System Policy

1. It shall be the policy of the City of High Point to limit the location of private owned facilities on City right-of-way or utility easements. Property owners desiring systems may apply for encroachment within right-of-way and utility easements provided the following conditions are satisfied:
 - a. Plans for the irrigation system are submitted for review.
 - b. The Director of Public services shall have the authorization to approve an irrigation system right- of-way or utility easement encroachment.
 - c. The Director of Electric Utilities shall review each application and concur with the proposed encroachment.
2. Submitted plans must meet but not be limited to the following guidelines for approval:
 - a. The system must comply with the requirements of the City of High Point Backflow Prevention Program.
 - b. Pipe leads and sprinkler heads will be allowed within the right-of-way.
 - c. Wiring, mainline piping, and sleeves will not be allowed in the right-of-way.
 - d. No sprinkler heads or pipe leads shall be in the same trench as the water and sewer laterals.
 - e. All pipe leads within the right-of-way shall have a minimum depth of 12".

- f. The irrigation water service shall be utilized for in-ground irrigation systems. This service must not connect to the house domestic water system.
3. Each approved request for an irrigation system right-of-way or utility easement encroachment shall be bound by the following stipulations, which are to be a "Hold Harmless Agreement" by this policy.
 - a. The owners of the property of the irrigation system will hold the City of High Point harmless from any and all causes for claims and defend the City against any possible law suits arising out of the construction or presence of the irrigation system within the City right-of-way or utility easement.
 - b. Furthermore, the irrigation system property owner must agree that the City shall have no responsibility for repairs, maintenance, or replacement arising from the approval or existence of an encroachment.
 - c. The owner must agree that the City will not be held liable for any damage created from any City enterprise or other authorized utility using the right-of-way or easement.
4. The owner of the irrigation system must agree in his permit application to have all below ground authorized utilities located prior to installation.
5. Furthermore, the irrigation system owner must agree to take responsibility for any damage to any other City or authorized utility arising out of the construction or maintenance of the irrigation system.

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