



CITY OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN
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RE: Public Services Standard Specifications

Dear Users of the Public Services Standard Specifications,

The Public Services Standard Specifications provides standards for public improvements constructed in the City of Ann Arbor. These standards apply to publicly constructed projects as well as private development projects, and include standards for design, materials, construction methods, as well as outlining permit and inspection procedures.

These updated Standards are effective beginning on March 1, 2024; all plan submittals after this date must comply with these standards to receive plan approval, see attached Q&A for more detail. City of Ann Arbor Capital Improvement Projects may begin using them sooner.

It is the responsibility of the Private Sector Engineer, Contractor and/or Developer to ensure that they are using the most current version of the Standard Specifications. Join our email list to receive notice of any updates: visit a2gov.org/standardspecifications and choose the envelope icon in the “Connect with us” section to subscribe. This email list will be notified whenever an updated version of the Public Services Standard Specifications is published to the webpage; we plan on a 2-year update cycle for the near future.

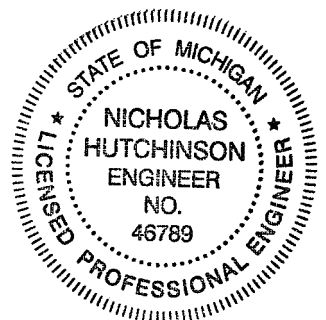
Sincerely,

City of Ann Arbor
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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

If I received Site Plan approval under the old (1994) standards, will I be expected to meet the updated (2024) standards during Civil Plan Review?

Yes. However, if compliance with the updated standards would require a Site Plan amendment, exceptions may be made. All reasonable changes to comply with the updated standards will be incorporated during the Civil Plan review process, as deemed appropriate by the PSAA.

Which Standards are required for new or in-review Civil Plan submittals between now and March 1, 2024?

Any new or in-review Civil Plan submittals will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine needs for compliance with the updated standards. All Civil Plans approved after March 1, 2024 shall meet the requirements of the updated standards unless otherwise approved by the PSAA.

All construction beginning after March 1, 2024 shall meet the updated standards for material submittals and standard details.

What if I believe a standard needs to be changed or updated?

Submit any update requests to StandardSpecifications@a2gov.org. Requests will be considered by the Public Services Standard Specifications Update Committee. The Committee is currently working through an extensive backlog of possible updates.