1. Definitions:

- a. Driveway area between lines $\frac{1}{2}$ driveway width plus 2.5 feet each side of driveway centerline (area of thickened section, see driveway details).
- b. Driveway approach area between back of curb and property line.
- c. Driveway apron drive area within private property reserved for vehicular ingress and egress.
- d. Curb cut area of curb and gutter within the driveway limits described in 1.a. (above).
- e. Driveway centerline a line drawn normal to the street that crosses the depressed area of the curb at its midpoint.
- f. Driveway width the length of the fully depressed curb.
- 2. No person, firm, or corporation shall construct or maintain any driveway across any curbing or sidewalk, or connecting with any uncurbed roadway without first securing a City Encroachment Permit. All construction of such driveways shall be done in conformity with City of Santa Clara Standard Details and Standard Specifications, and shall be subject to City inspection.
- 3. Not more than 50 percent of the street frontage of any parcel of land shall be devoted to driveways, except in cases of narrow frontages (e.g., cul-de-sacs) when approved by the City Engineer.
- 4. Driveway centerlines on the same property shall be at least their combined half widths plus 29 feet apart.
- 5. Driveways located adjacent to side property lines or in proximity to utilities obstructions should in general satisfy the Driveway Locations shown in detail ST-2.
- 6. Driveways located in proximity to street intersections should in general satisfy the Driveway Locations at Curb Returns shown in detail ST-3.
- 7. Adjustments to utility facilities or other public improvements shall be accomplished without cost to the City.
- 8. Any abandoned driveway shall be reconstructed to City standard sidewalk, curb and gutter requirements, concurrent with the new driveway construction without any cost to the City.
- 9. Where difficulties, unnecessary hardships and effects inconsistent with the general purpose of these driveway standards may result from the strict application of certain provisions thereof, variances may be granted by the City Engineer.

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