SECTION 01700 – TRAFFIC CONTROL

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.01 SUMMARY

A. The Contractor shall provide all materials, labor and equipment (including permits, barricades, cones, drums, construction warning signs, flagmen incidental devices) to protect, warn and guide: vehicular traffic, pedestrian traffic and to protect his personnel and equipment on the site. This specification applies to work being done in conjunction with capital projects and not emergencies or other maintenance related activities.

1.02 SPECIFICATION MODIFICATIONS

A. It is understood that throughout this section these specifications may be modified by appropriate items in Section 01015 – Specific Project Requirements, or as otherwise indicated on the Contract Drawings.

1.03 RELATED SECTIONS

A. Section 01000 – General Project Requirements.
B. Section 01015 – Specific Project Requirements.
C. Section 01300 – Submittals.
D. Section 01581 – Public Communications.

1.04 CODES AND STANDARDS

A. The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications referred to within the specification are by the basic designation only.
C. “City of Kansas City, Missouri Public Works Department Construction and Material Specifications” (http://kcmo.gov/)(KCMO PW 2305 - Traffic Control – Pedestrian Traffic Control and Sidewalk Closure.)
E. MODOT traffic control and regulations and permits.

1.05 DEFINITIONS

A. City Block – A segment of a street or roadway between two intersections.
B. Working Hours – The Contractor must conduct construction operations in compliance with the City of Kansas City, Missouri Code of Ordinances, Chapter 46 – NOISE CONTROL which generally defines normal working hours as 7:00 am to 6:00 pm on weekdays. Working hours also include any time period approved in writing by the City (see Section 01000 – General Project Requirements, paragraph TEMPORARY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION).
C. Non-Working Hours – Any period of time not defined as Working Hours.
D. Public Works Department – The City of Kansas City, Missouri - Public Works Department.
E. Traffic Control Supervisor – The qualified employee of the Contractor designated to have overall responsibility of the implementation of the Traffic Control Plan, conformance to the Traffic Control Permit and maintenance of traffic control devices.
F. Work Zone – An area of active construction activity along a single street that causes temporary disruption to pedestrian traffic, vehicular traffic, access to properties, or on-street parking.

G. Extended Work Zone – Any work that encompasses more than one city block or street.

1.06 SUBMITTALS
A. Submit as specified in Section 01300 – Submittals.
B. Shop Drawings:
   1. Not applicable.
C. Product Data:
   1. Not applicable.
D. Samples:
   1. Not applicable.
E. Other Submittals:
   1. Traffic Control Plan(s):
      (a) Submit plan(s) directly to the Public Works Department for review and approval as required for permitting. Approval of the traffic control plan is required prior to submitting permit applications.
      (b) Submit the final, approved plan(s) in accordance with Section 01300 – Submittals for informational purposes only.
      (c) Submit changes or revisions to the plans(s) as required by the City’s Traffic Control Permit.
      (d) Submit changes or revisions to the Traffic Control Plan necessary for construction phasing.
   2. Traffic Control Permit – submit a copy of the traffic control permit upon approval from the Public Works Department.
   3. Traffic Control Supervisor:
      (a) Submit name, qualifications and contact information in accordance with Section 01300 – Submittals.
      (b) Submit name, qualifications and contact information directly to the Public Works Department.
   5. Public Works Department standard details.
   6. Maintenance records of traffic control devices.

1.07 GENERAL
A. When the requirements of this section conflict with the requirements of the approved Traffic Control Permit, then the requirements of the Traffic Control Permit shall govern. In all instances, the Contractor shall comply with all KCMO ordinances.
B. The Contractor shall maintain access for pedestrians, vehicles and all properties served by the streets and sidewalks within the site.
C. All work shall be coordinated through the City of Kansas City, Missouri - Public Works Department.
D. Coordination of the traffic control permit shall be conducted during normal business hours (8:00 am through 5:00 pm).

1.08 SPECIFIC PROJECT REQUIREMENTS
A. Specific traffic control requirements are provided in Section 01015 - Specific Project Requirements.
1.09 RESPONSIBILITY
A. The Contractor shall designate a Traffic Control Supervisor having the responsibilities defined in paragraph DEFINITIONS.
B. The Traffic Control Supervisor’s name, contact information and qualifications shall be submitted to the City prior to the preconstruction conference.
C. The Traffic Control Supervisor’s name and contact information shall be submitted to the Public Works Department as required by the Traffic Control Permit. The contact information provided shall allow the City (Public Works Department) to contact the Traffic Control Supervisor during both working and non-working hours. This information shall be submitted with the application for the Traffic Control Permit and in accordance with paragraph SUBMITTALS.

1.10 SUBMITTAL OF STANDARD DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS
A. The Contractor shall obtain a copy of all Public Works Department’s standard specifications and details to be used as part of the project. Copies shall be submitted in accordance with paragraph SUBMITTALS.

1.11 ACCESS REQUIREMENTS
A. Unless otherwise stated in Section 01015 – Specific Project Requirements, the Contractor shall maintain access for pedestrians and vehicles to all properties served by streets and sidewalks affected by the Work.
B. Special Restrictions for Extended Work Zones:
   1. A maximum of two (2) consecutive city blocks shall be under construction at any one time.
   2. Where construction activities cause disruption (i.e. sidewalk closures and/or temporary restriction of on-street parking) to two (2) consecutive city blocks, the following restrictions shall apply:
      (a) At a minimum, pedestrian access shall be maintained on one side of the street only if work can be completed in less than 15 days. Sidewalk closures shall be limited and temporary facilities shall be provided as necessary to allow pedestrian access to all occupied properties affected by construction activities.
      (b) If more than one (1) city block is affected by construction, then construction activities shall be conducted so that on-street parking is maintained on at least one side of the street, on one of the city blocks affected. That is, if on-street parking is eliminated within a city block, the adjacent city block (along the same street) must provide at least on-street parking on one side.
      (c) If a sidewalk will need to be closed more than 15 days, advance approval of the Bike Pedestrian Advisory Committee is required. If a sidewalk closure is planned for more than 15 days in the Greater Downtown Area Plan region, advance approval is required from the Parking and Transportation Commission.
C. Access to adjacent properties served by the street(s) within the project shall be maintained at all times.
D. Traffic shall move through the construction site in accordance with the Traffic Control Permit.
E. When required, flaggers shall coordinate the movement of traffic through the construction site.
F. Temporary Restoration of Access during Non-Working Hours:
   1. All roadways shall be re-opened to traffic in accordance with the Traffic Control Permit or to normal operating conditions (whichever applies) at the end of each work day.
   2. No construction related equipment or material shall be on the roadway outside of normal working hours unless approved by the City (see Section 01000 – General Project Requirements, paragraph CONSTRUCTION SITE PLAN).

1.12 TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN(S)
A. Unless otherwise indicated on the Drawings or in Section 01015 – Specific Project Conditions, the Contractor shall be responsible for the development and implementation of the Traffic Control Plan necessary to obtain a Traffic Control Permit(s).
B. All costs associated with development, revision or finalization of Traffic Control Plan(s) shall be included in the Contractor’s Bid.
C. General Traffic Control requirements shall include but are not limited to the following:
   1. MUTCD requirements shall be maintained on all traffic control plan submittals.
   2. Plans shall clearly identify all traffic control devices to be placed including the location, spacing and other pertinent data required for the traffic control plan reviews.
   3. Plan reviews and resubmittal reviews should be scheduled to be completed with at least two (2) weeks for City staff review on standard traffic control plan submittals. This time may be extended if the plan is complex or of a large volume.
   4. All street typologies listed on the Major Street Plan (https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/other-city-plans) will be required to maintain a minimum of one twelve foot (12’) lane in each direction for traffic at all times.
   5. Limited closures on street typologies listed on the Major Street Plan may be allowed but will likely be limited to weeknights and/or weekend work depending on the location of the proposed closure. Full closures may not be possible in some areas of the City.
   6. Electronic Message Boards will be required as part of the communication plan for all lane closures or restrictions on street typologies listed on the Major Street Plan. These signs will need to be in place at least one (1) week prior to the lane closure or restriction and will need to be maintained throughout the closure duration.
   7. Closures in and adjacent to the Streetcar Corridor will be required to have a Track Access Permit.
   8. Residential street traffic control plans will be developed in a way to allow safe travel and maintain access to all properties adjacent to and in the area of the traffic control area.
   9. The Contractor is required to maintain the road surface condition on the haul route to the condition that existed at the time of permit issuance. All damage to the pavement on the haul route caused by the contractor shall be repaired by the contractor at no additional cost to the City.
1.13 TRAFFIC CONTROL PERMIT(S)
A. The Contractor shall not submit Traffic Control Permit applications until the traffic control plan has been approved by the Public Works Department.
B. The Contractor shall obtain a Traffic Control Permit before any construction activity occurs on any City street. Permits shall be obtained and submitted in accordance with Section 01300 – Submittals shall be made no less than two (2) weeks in advance of the construction activity.
C. Specific requirements and the application for Traffic Control Permit can be downloaded from the City’s web site at [http://kcmo.gov/](http://kcmo.gov/).
D. The associated permit fees, which may be time and street-type-dependent, are to be obtained from the Public Works Department.
E. All residential, arterial and collector streets require a separate permit and are subject to peak hour restrictions.
F. All costs associated with the Traffic Control Permit(s) shall be included in the Contractor’s Bid.

1.14 NOTIFICATIONS
A. Advance notification of affected property owners shall be done in accordance with Section 01581 – Public Communications.
B. Electronic Message Boards are required at least one (1) week in advance of any arterial street closure(s).

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.01 TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES
A. All traffic control devices shall conform to Part 6 of the “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices” (MUTCD).
B. No substitutions for the devices required by MUTCD or changes in the methods of traffic control as outlined herein will be allowed without written approval of the Director of Public Works or their designee.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.01 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS
A. Contractor shall take any and all precautions to guard against injury to persons or damage to property until final acceptance of the work by the City or their representative.
B. Precautions shall include, but not limited to, protection of vehicular and pedestrian traffic from injury or damage due to open excavations, operation of construction equipment, materials storage, etc. by the proper placement of appropriate safety devices.
C. The Contractor shall maintain the safety devices and maintain their proper placement throughout the required period.
D. Construction practices shall be followed that will eliminate all safety hazards.
E. The roadway shall be kept clean and free of construction related debris at all time.
3.02 DEVICE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE
A. Traffic control devices shall be installed and maintained in accordance with KCMO Specification 2305 with the exception that the paragraphs for Method of Measurement and Basis for Payment do not apply.
B. The Contractor shall maintain records of any maintenance required and the date on which it was completed. These records shall be maintained for the duration of the project and submitted in accordance with paragraph SUBMITTALS on a monthly basis.
C. The contractor’s designated Traffic Control Supervisor shall make regular workday inspections of the traffic control devices installed as part of Work.
D. It shall be the Contractor’s responsibility to maintain all traffic control devices in proper working condition and placement at all times.
E. The Contractor shall immediately correct any deficiencies in traffic control.
F. Any traffic control device not in use shall be covered, removed, or turned away from the view of oncoming traffic.

3.03 CHANGES TO THE TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN
A. Whenever the work area changes, all construction warning signs and traffic channelization devices shall be made current.
B. The Public Works Department reserves the right to adjust or revise the traffic handling requirements as necessary after construction on the project has started. These changes will be determined based on periodic inspections throughout the duration of the project by both the Water Services and Public Works inspection staff.
C. Notice of such change will be transmitted to the Contractor and it shall be the Contractor’s responsibility to make the necessary changes as soon as practicable, but no more than one (1) calendar day, after receipt of the notification. Immediate changes to the traffic control shall be required in situations that are deemed as a public safety matter by the City representatives.
D. If the Contractor encounters conditions that would require a change in method of traffic control, the Contractor shall immediately notify the City’s representative. At least 48 hours before the start of the proposed change, the City’s representative will request approval of the change in method of maintaining traffic from the Public Works Department. The Contractor shall not proceed with the change without the approval of the Public Works Department.

3.04 PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC CONTROL
A. Pedestrian traffic control shall conform to KCMO Specification 2305, paragraph-Pedestrian Traffic Control.

3.05 VEHICLE PARKING
A. Parking of construction vehicles, equipment, vehicles of contractor’s personnel shall not interfere with public traffic, parking, access by emergency vehicles, or City operations.

3.06 HAUL ROUTES
A. The Contractor shall consult with the City (Water Services Department and Public Works Department) to establish public thoroughfares to be used for haul routes and site access.
B. Residential streets shall not be used as part of the proposed haul routes.
3.07 EMERGENCY CONDITIONS
A. Damage to existing utilities during construction of the Project which requires immediate repair may be considered as an emergency and as such may not be subject to all the restrictions contained herein. These shall be reported to Water Services and Public Works immediately. All subsequent emergency traffic control measures or adjustments shall be coordinated with the City representatives.
B. The Contractor shall immediately contact the utility company whose facilities are involved that may require immediate repair.
C. Such repair work, once declared an emergency by the utility company, shall be pursued on a continuous (24 hours per day) basis until complete or advanced to such a point that use of the roadway can be returned to normal operation and any subsequent repairs can be completed during regular working hours.
D. The City reserves the right to determine which utility work will be considered an emergency. Any costs incurred by the Contractor for such emergency utility repair, including the cost of any additional traffic control that may be required, shall be the Contractor’s sole responsibility.

3.08 EMERGENCY NO PARKING SIGNS
A. When it is necessary to eliminate parking on a part of a street to facilitate construction work, the Contractor shall, subject to the approval of the Public Works Department, post “Emergency No Parking” signs.
B. Signs shall be fabricated with the following dimensions, text sizes and include the follow text:

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EMERGENCY NO PARKING DAY OR NIGHT
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Placard Height: 24 inches
Placard Width: 18 inches
Placard Color: Silver (reflective)

Lettering Height: 3 inches
Line Spacing: 1.1 inches
Lettering Color: Red

Border Thickness: 0.625 inches
Border Margin from Edge of Placard: 0.375 inches
Border Color: Red

C. The signs shall be made of aluminum, plastic or plywood panels. Paper or cardboard signs are not allowed.
D. The signs shall be installed on either steel drive posts or existing utility poles at a height of five (5) feet to the bottom of the sign.
E. Signs shall be placed on the side of the street where parking is to be eliminated.
F. The signs are to be installed at the beginning and end of each block and at a maximum of 150-feet intervals in between.

G. These signs must be installed a minimum of 18 hours and a maximum of 48 hours in advance of the time the Contractor plans to begin work.

H. The Contractor shall contact the City’s representative as soon as the signs are installed. The City’s representative will then contact the Public Works Department as soon as the signs are installed, so that a temporary regulation can be written by the Public Works Department and so that the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department can be notified. The signs cannot be enforced without this notification from the City. The notification to the City must be made by 12 noon for enforcement to be effective the following day.

I. If there are existing parking signs with a lesser degree of restriction, the Contractor shall install the Emergency No Parking signs as outlined above and shall cover the existing signs with the Emergency No Parking sign or some type of semi-permanent cover (paper and tape will not be accepted).

J. The Contractor shall immediately remove the Emergency No Parking signs and all semi-permanent sign covers as soon as work on the block has been completed.

K. If it becomes apparent for any reason that work will cease for more than 72 hours, the same signs and covers shall be removed and must be reinstalled subject to the minimum 18 hours advance-notice before work can proceed.

L. If work does not begin within 48 hours after the signs are posted, the same procedure must be followed. Failure by the Contractor to abide by all the provisions concerning “Emergency No Parking” signs, shall result in the cancellation of the permit.

M. The Contractor shall maintain a minimum of one (1) lane of traffic each direction at all times unless otherwise allowed by permit.

N. The Contractor shall keep residents, schools, businesses, churches and other public entities informed of the work schedule that would interfere with access to their facility. Notification shall be distributed at least 3 weeks in advance of work occurring near a facility.

O. The Contractor shall coordinate with KCATA, as necessary, on proposed lane closures impacting bus travel routes.

END OF SECTION