

Chapter 21 - Underground Electric Lines

1. Definition.

The following definition shall apply in the interpretation of this Chapter:

(1) Heavily Congested Business District -

Heavily congested business districts shall include but not be limited to B-2, B-3, O-S-C, O-M and O-1 zoning districts and related land uses.

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2. All lines for electrical power transmitted by wire or cable, including all individual service connections, shall be placed underground throughout heavily congested business districts.
3. In case of an emergency or unusual situation which would make it impossible for an electric utility to continue service or unreasonably expensive for it to provide temporary service, the Director of Public Works may issue a temporary permit for the erection of poles and wires in a heavily congested business district as he may find to be reasonably necessary to the continuance of such service in said emergency or to the providing of such temporary service.
4. Each such temporary permit shall expire upon the termination date therein stated, at which time such emergency or temporary service shall be discontinued and the poles and wires erected thereunder removed. If no expiration date is stated in any such permit, it may be terminated by the Director of Public Works at any time upon finding that the conditions which justified its granting no longer exist, whereupon all poles and wires placed thereunder shall within such reasonable time as may be fixed by the Director of Public Works be removed.
5. All underground electric facilities shall be planned and constructed so as not to conflict with other underground utilities.
6. All such facilities shall be constructed in accordance with the procedures and standards contained in any franchise or other agreement with the City of Troy or as approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

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