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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
PRE-APPROVED PLANS POLICY**

**Policy R-19: CURB PAINTING: AUTHORIZATION FOR PAINTINGS BY
ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS**

Initiated December 2008

Background: Public Works receives routine requests to have curbing painted red to designate 'no parking zones'. Many of these requests are for on-safety situations. An example is:

- Requests for painting 5 feet on each side of a driveway to remind motorists not to park too closely to the driveway. Such parking is already illegal and enforceable, but some residents want the red paint as a reminder.

Note that Red Curb is no longer authorized for mailboxes only. Instead, refer to pre-approved plan policy R-37, Mailbox No Parking Signs: Authorization for Property Owners.

The number of painted curbs has grown over the years to the point where City Maintenance Crews are hard-pressed to maintain them. The budget cuts for 2010/2011 significantly reduced the City's ability to maintain existing and paint new 'no parking zones' by reducing funds for seasonal summer laborers.

To address the on-going needs for 'no parking' zones that are not safety-related, a procedure was developed whereby the City would give residents or property owners authorization, with specific conditions, to paint the curbs abutting their property.

Attached is a letter that provides the format for the authorization to paint and maintain the curbs.

This service would be managed by the Neighborhood Traffic Control Coordinators.

December 10, 2012

DATE

Kirkland, WA 98033

Subject: Red Curb Painting Authorization, LOCATION Kirkland, WA

This letter authorizes you to paint the curb red from the edges of the driveway (defined in Figure 1) for 5 feet on either side of your driveway. Please do not exceed this authorized length; you will be required to remove excess red.

This red curb authorization is in accordance with the attached policy R-19, subject to conditions listed in this authorization and authorized for the above-described segments. Please retain this letter as proof of the City's authorization. If you move in the future, please leave this letter with the new occupants.

Conditions:

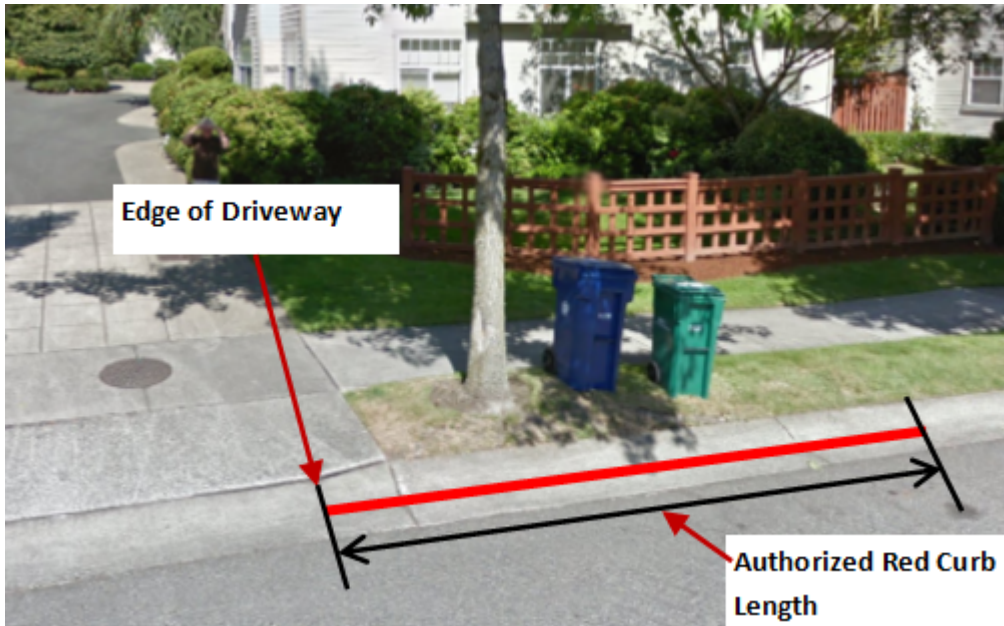
1. Standard, water-based red curb marking paint (called Red Zone Marking Paint) must be used for painting red curb. This is available at Miller Paint Company, 11730 118th Ave NE, Suite A300, Kirkland, WA 98034, (425) 822-6092.
2. The City of Kirkland will not maintain these paint markings. Maintenance of red curb will be solely your responsibility.
3. This authorization does not expire unless the City of Kirkland revokes it. The City reserves the right to revoke the authorization at any time.
4. The City does not warrant that motorists will comply with this red curb, but it is officially approved and as enforceable as if City crews had done the painting. For enforcement, please contact the police at non-emergency 911 number (425) 577-5656 or police@kirklandwa.gov.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Please also let me know when you have painted red curb, and I will field check and sign off. If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact me at (425) 587- or .

Sincerely,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Neighborhood Traffic Control Coordinator

Figure 1 – Edge of Driveway Defined



Note: Authorized red curb length is 5 feet, measured south and north from edge of driveway.

NOTE: If alternate lengths are authorized, include a Figure 2 showing the actual lengths and referencing this in the letter.

ATTACH Policy R-19