

ORDINANCE NO. 3838

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE SLOPE AND WIDTH OF DRIVEWAYS,
AMENDING CHAPTER 15.44 OF THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING
SECTION 15.44.070

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City that Chapter 15.44 of the Rapid City
Municipal Code be amended by adding a new Section 15.44.070 to read as follows:

15.44.070 Driveways--Slope and Width

A. Residential driveways longer than 150 feet in length, as measured from the end of the street pavement, shall not exceed a maximum slope of 12%. All residential driveway approaches shall meet the standards set forth in the street design criteria manual, as amended.

B. Residential driveways longer than 150 feet in length shall have a residential turn-around approved by the Fire Chief or his/her designee, in accordance with the 1994 Uniform Fire Code Section 902.2.2.4, or similar provision as adopted by the Common Council.

C. Residential driveways longer than 150 feet shall have a minimum width of twelve (12) feet.

D. Residential driveways longer than 300 feet shall have a pullout at maximum 300 foot intervals. For purposes of this section, pullout means an area integral to the driveway with an all-weather surface, designed and maintained to support the imposed loads of fire apparatus, in accordance with the 1994 Uniform Fire Code Section 902.2.2.2. Such pullouts shall have a minimum width of twenty (20) feet and a minimum length of forty (40) feet.

E. Residential driveway plans shall be submitted to the Building Official at the time of application for a building permit. Such plans shall show the length and slope of the proposed driveway, and shall show the applicable pullouts, if any.

F. Exceptions to this provision may be granted only by a duly-authorized Resolution of the Common Council.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer

(SEAL)

First Reading:
Second Reading:
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Effective:

Sample Ordinances Regarding Driveway Slope requirements:

City	Max. Slope	Min. Width
Colorado Springs, CO	Individual Driveways: 20% Shared Driveways: 15% If fire access: 12%	If fire access: 12 ft.
Golden, CO	Single Family: 10% approach/landing 14% driveway Multifamily: 6% approach/landing 8% driveway	Unknown
Avon, CO	Single Family: 4% approach/landing 10% driveway Duplex: 4% approach/landing 10% driveway Multifamily: 4% approach/landing 8% driveway	Unknown
Woodland Park, CO	All driveways: 6 % approach 14% driveway (Note: May be required to be flatter in Fire Protection District)	12 ft (Note: May be required to be wider in Fire Protection District)