Appendix E
Degradation Fee Schedule

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For projects involving cuts or trenches in a public street when the pavement surface is less than five (5) years old (Moratorium street), the degradation fee shall be assessed in addition to the required permit fee. The degradation fee is calculated according to the formula as follows:

\[ F = P \times \left( \frac{OL}{200} \right) \times BR \]

Where:
- \( F \) = Degradation fee
- \( P \) = Multiplier based on age of street (see below).
- \( BR \) = Base rate (set by City Council or Rules & Regs) of $1000
- \( OL \) = Overall Length (set to 200 for all cuts)

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**Cuts**

Example: A utility excavates a 6’ x 6’ opening in a street that was paved 2.25 years ago.

\[ F = P \times \left( \frac{200}{200} \right) \times BR \]
\[ F = 2.5 \times (1) \times 1000 = 2500 \]
\[ F = 2500 \text{ (Degradation fee)} \]

**Trenches**

A prorated degradation fee will be assessed for trenches based on a minimum of 200 LF increments.

Example: A utility company excavates a 250’ trench in a street that was paved 4½ years ago.

\[ F = P \times \left( \frac{OL}{200} \right) \times BR \]
\[ F = 2.5 \times \left( \frac{250}{200} \right) \times 1000 \]
\[ F = 2.5 \times 1.25 \times 1000 = 3125 \]
\[ F = 3125 \text{ (Degradation fee)} \]

* Residential homeowners are exempt on repairs to existing sewer and water services in the right-of-way.

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Appendix F
Legal & Insurance Requirements

alternative to obtaining a new Letter of Credit.

3. The dollar amount of the Letter of Credit shall determine the amount of work that may be performed pursuant to the license during a given license period. The following four Letter of Credit levels shall apply:

a. $10,000.00 Letter of Credit—By submitting a $10,000.00 Letter of Credit to CDOT, the holder of the Public Way work license may disturb an unlimited amount of unpaved Public Way, and may disturb up to 75 square yards of street and/or alley pavement or up to 1200 square feet of Sidewalk pavement, or any combination of the three pavements, calculated at the following rate, up to a maximum of $10,000.00:

   Street and/or alley pavement at $85.00 per square yard.
   Sidewalk pavement at $6.00 per square foot.

b. $50,000.00 Letter of Credit—By submitting a $50,000.00 Letter of Credit to CDOT, the holder of the Public Way work license may disturb an unlimited amount of unpaved Public Way, and may disturb up to 375 square yards of street and/or alley pavement or up to 6000 square feet of Sidewalk pavement, or any combination of the three pavements, calculated at the following rate, up to a maximum of $50,000.00:

   Street and/or alley pavement at $85.00 per square yard.
   Sidewalk pavement at $6.00 per square foot.

c. $100,000.00 Letter of Credit—By submitting a $100,000.00 Letter of Credit to CDOT, the holder of the Public Way work license may disturb an unlimited amount of unpaved Public Way, and may disturb up to 750 square yards of street and/or alley pavement or up to 12,500 square feet of sidewalk pavement, or any combination of the three pavements, calculated at the following rate up to a maximum of $100,000.00.

   Street and/or alley pavement at $85.00 per square yard.
   Sidewalk pavement at $6.00 per square foot.

d. $200,000.00 Letter of Credit—By submitting a $200,000.00 Letter of Credit to CDOT, the holder of the Public Way work license may disturb an unlimited amount of unpaved Public Way, street and/or alley pavement or sidewalk pavement.
3.4.3 Moratorium

Moratoriums are established by the CDOT as a method of protecting reconstructed or repaved roadways within the boundaries of the City. Roadway sections with active moratoriums require special consideration as to method and size of restoration, and additionally, degradation fees and modifications to permit fees.

- *Street Construction* refers to when the street has been reconstructed. By City ordinance, the moratorium is ten years and during this period permit fees are doubled.
- *Street Resurfacing* refers to when the road has been repaved. By City ordinance, the moratorium is five years and during this period permit fees are doubled.
- *Streetscape* refers to when a project has added additional design elements to the public right of way to improve the functionality of the infrastructure in order to support urban liveability.
- *Median* or *Median Landscaping* refers to where landscaped medians or planters exist on the street median. For these moratorium types, there is no fee adjustment. However, if a construction permit is requested, the applicant will be directed to review the planned project with the CDOT ENG staff for special instructions on how to properly protect or reconstruct street medians.

The City provides these moratoriums by street name and address, within the fifty municipal ward boundaries at the link below.

https://webapps1.cityofchicago.org/StreetClosure/org/cityofchicago/streetclosure/cdot/ward.jsp
3.4.7 Parking Display Requirements

“No Parking” postings for Permits issued by CDOT shall only be posted by the City, unless the City directs or has authorized the Permitee to do so in writing. Pursuant to agreement between the City of Chicago and LAZ Parking, the Permitee shall remit a fee for obstructing parking at metered locations.

3.4.8 CDOT Permitting Fee Structure

a. Standard Fees

Permitees requesting Permits under Chapter 10-20 (all applicants except telecommunications providers) for making an opening in or constructing or repairing any pavement in the Public Way will be subject to permit fees as set forth in Section 10-20-150 of Chapter 10-20 of the Code. The current permit fee schedule can be viewed on the City’s web site at:

b. Degradation Fees

A degradation fee will be assessed by the City for any project involving cuts or trenches on a Moratorium Street. The degradation fee will be calculated in accordance with the Degradation Fee Schedule included as Appendix E. The Permitee may also be subject to a fee for obstructing the Public Way.

c. Fee Exemption—Telecommunication Providers

Permitees requesting permits under Chapter 10-30 (telecommunications providers and/or their contractors for the installation of a telecommunication system) will not be charged permit fees (including permit fees otherwise payable under Chapter 10-20), provided that the telecommunications provider is subject to the Chicago Simplified Telecommunications Tax imposed pursuant to Section 3-73-030 of the Code and is not in violation of applicable requirements of Chapter 3-73 and Chapter 10-30 of the Code. Telecommunications providers are responsible for additional fees which include, but are not limited to, the following: degradation fees, lost revenue for parking meter obstruction, parking meter box removal, and JCDecaux bus shelter removal.