

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING  
POLICY TE 8

DRIVEWAY OPENING POLICY

GENERAL STATEMENT

This policy is to provide direction on the use of the City of Garden Grove *"Policy for Driveway Openings Into Separate Parcel on Garden Grove City Streets"*.

When reviewing all requests for opening, closing, design or number of driveways within any public street, the following policy shall be used.

Council may waive, modify or delay the enforcement of this policy, under Ordinance No. 2155, upon written request of the property owner when filed with the director of Public Works.

POLICY

DEFINITION OF SEPARATE PARCEL

A parcel of land under one ownership.

A parcel of land under 15 years lease or longer, operated under separate management.

A group of separately owned parcels operated under group management.

ALLOWABLE WIDTH (IN FEET) OF ALL DRIVEWAYS ON EACH STREET INTO EACH SEPARATE PARCEL AS DEFINED ABOVE.

(Driveway widths shall be measured at bottom of fully depressed area and shall not include any portion of the tapered curb.)

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Chart

Total Frontage of Parcel	Maximum Total Allowable Width of all Driveways*	Maximum Number of Driveways
0 - 40	24	1
41 - 80	30	1
81 - 90	50	2
91 - 150	60	2
151 - 200	70	3
201 - 300	80	3
301 - 400	105	4
401 - 1000	120	4
Over - 1000	150	5

\* Total driveway widths shall not exceed 60% of the parcel frontage.  
(Measured at the curb line, not including the curb return.)

- (a) Driveways or tapered curbs will not be permitted to encroach into curb return.
- (b) No separate driveway shall exceed 30 feet in width unless as determined by the City Traffic Engineer when conditions warrant a greater width.
- (c) Unless some unusual condition exists, two feet (minimum) of full height curb will be required between driveway and property line extended.
- (d) Full height curb length between driveways serving the same parcel shall be 22 feet (minimum).
- (e) Joint use driveways for adjacent properties may be required at specific arterial highway locations determined by the Traffic Engineer.
- (f) Residential properties shall have vehicle access from a local street only, unless as determined by the Traffic Engineer some unusual condition requires the vehicle access to be from an arterial street.
- (g) No unused driveway will be permitted to remain.

Reference: Municipal Code Section 11.04.060

ORDINANCE NO. 2155

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR REGULATING DRIVE APPROACHES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Amendment of Code

Garden Grove Municipal Code Title 11, Chapter 4, Section 11.04.060 is amended to read in its entirety, as follows:

Section 11.04.060 - Driveways

The Development Services Department shall regulate the number, location,, opening, closing and design of driveways within any public street pursuant to the policy attached as Exhibit "A".

Where practical difficulties or unnecessary hardships, inconsistent with the purposes of the current policy, result from its literal interpretation or enforcement, the City Council may waive, modify or delay the enforcement of the policy, upon written request of the property owner filed with the director of Development Services. The findings of the Council in support of any waiver, modification or delay shall contain facts which are necessary to support the request. The policy may be changed by resolution of Council. (Ordinance 822, 1 (part) 1965: prior code 7110.32)

SECTION 2:

This ordinance shall take effect (30) days after adoption and shall within fifteen (15) days of adoption be published with the names of Councilmembers voting for and against the same in the Orange County News, a newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the City of Garden Grove.

The foregoing Ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Garden Grove on the 16th day of July, 1990.

ATTEST:

/s/ WALT E. DONOVAN  
MAYOR

/s/ CAROLYN MORRIS, CMC  
CITY CLERK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF ORANGE ) SS:  
CITY OF GARDEN GROVE)

I, CAROLYN MORRIS, City Clerk of the City of Garden Grove, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and presented on July 2nd, 1990 with vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: (5) DINSEN, KESSLER, LITRELL, WILLIAMS,  
DONOVAN  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: (0) NONE  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: (0) NONE

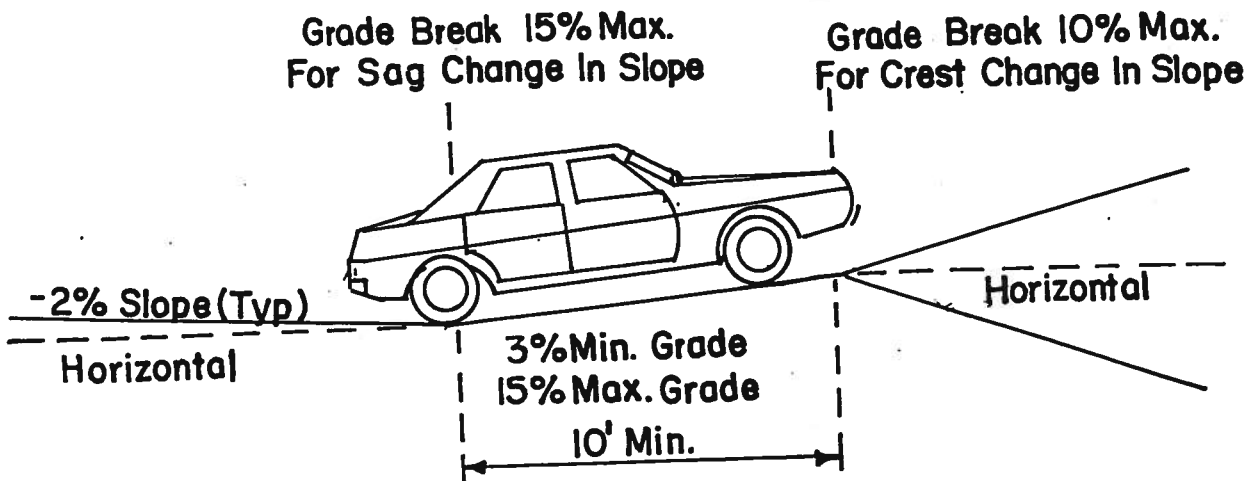
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and was passed on July 16th, 1990 by the following vote:

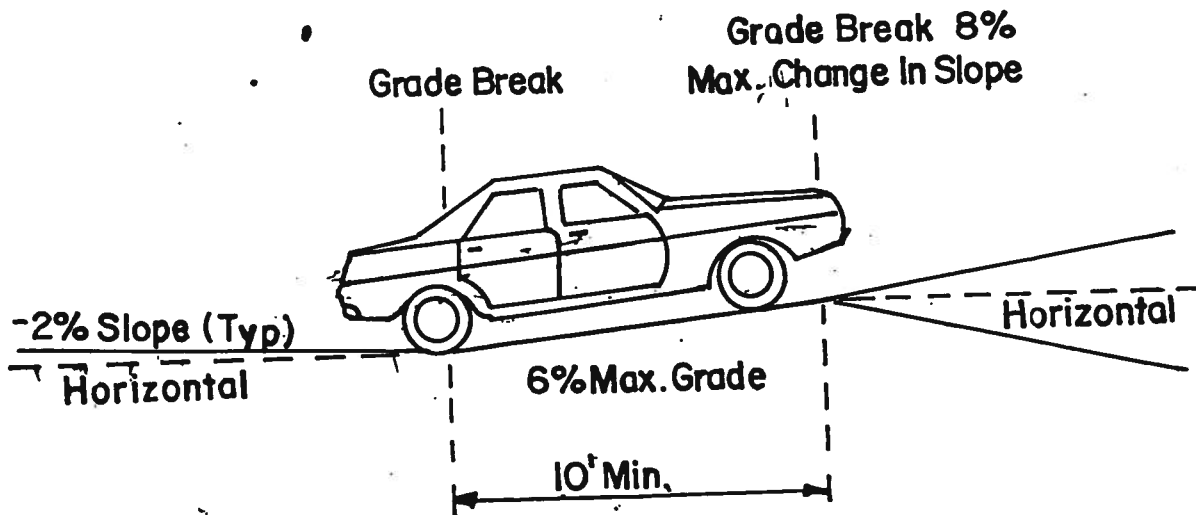
AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: (4) DINSEN, KESSLER, LITTRELL, DONOVAN  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: (0) NONE  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: (1) WILLIAMS

/s/ CAROLYN MORRIS, CMC  
CITY CLERK

## LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAYS



## HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAYS



THE 10' DISTANCE BEGINS AT THE BACK OF WALK  
DRIVEWAY GRADES NOT  
TO EXCEED 8%