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**CITY OF STOUGHTON  
PAVEMENT AND CURB MARKING POLICY**

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to set out inspection and operational standards for the maintenance of roadway lane line markings, crosswalks, parking stalls and stop lines, as well as the painting of curbs and medians to balance safety and aesthetic performance of the roadway markings with operational and budget constraints.

This policy does not address permanent pavement markings which are installed during roadway construction or special projects.

**INTRODUCTION:**

The City of Stoughton Street Department has developed a program for painting roadway lane line markings, crosswalks, stop lines, parking stalls, curbs, pavement symbols, and medians in accordance to the Federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). The purpose and priority of each are summarized in the following table:

<b>Type of Marking</b>	<b>Color</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Crosswalks	White	1	Safety
Lane Line	White	1	Traffic Control and Safety
Pavement Symbols	White	2	Traffic Control and Safety
Lane Center Lines	Yellow	2	Traffic Control and Safety
Stop Line	White	2	Parking Control and Safety
Parking Stalls	White	3	Parking Control, Safety and Aesthetics
Curbs & Medians	Yellow	4	Parking Control, Safety and Aesthetics

Roadway and Curb Painting

1. Median Painting

All median nose curbs will be painted yellow. If passing is allowed on either side of the island, the curb will be painted white.

2. Crosswalks

Crosswalks will be painted in accordance to MUTCD. Crosswalks will consist of 24 inches x 6 foot blocks, or 6 inch border lines where decorative concrete is used. Stop lines will be installed in the downtown district and at school crosswalks (24” wide by 7 feet long, 3 feet back of crosswalks). Glass beads are used on crosswalks.

3. Curb Painting

Curbs in the downtown district will be painted either yellow or white in accordance with the MUTCD. Generally painted are; curbs radiuses, parking restrictions, and handicap parking. Other curbs painted upon request are:

- Where a sign indicates “No Parking to Corner”, the curb will be painted to the sign.
- Where a hydrant is adjacent to the curb, no parking is allowed within 5 feet of the nearest point on the curb to the hydrant.
- No parking is allowed within 10 feet of a stop sign.
- At an intersection (including lane intersection), no parking is allowed within 15 feet of the property line.
- No parking is allowed within 3 feet of a private driveway (private driveways will not normally be painted).

4. City Parking Areas

The following City parking facilities will be painted on an as-required basis (yellow):

- North Parking Lot.
- South Parking Lot.
- City Hall Parking Lot.
- Fourth Street Parking Lot.
- Public Safety Building Parking Lot.
- Senior Center Parking Lots.
- Library Parking Lot.
- Street Department Parking Lot

5. Handicap Parking, Handicap Loading and Loading Zones

The curb, adjacent to all handicap zones will be painted white. The curb, adjacent to all handicap loading zones will be painted white. The curb, adjacent to all loading zones will be painted yellow.

6. Traffic Lane Line Painting

Traffic lane lines will be painted (4" white) in accordance to the MUTCD. Stencils are used to paint pavement symbols. Glass beads are used on pavement symbols. Generally lane lines will be considered only on Collector and Arterial Roads.

7. Center Lane Painting

Center lines will be painted (4" yellow) in accordance to the MUTCD. Generally center lane lines will be considered only on Collector and Arterial Roads.

8. Parking Stalls

All parking stall markings shall be painted (4" white) annually in the downtown district and as needed outside the downtown district.

Priority and Scheduling of Painting

All pavement markings in the downtown district will be completed as a first priority each year as weather allows. School crosswalks will be painted in August (currently most school crosswalks are pavement tape and do not require painting). Any painting needed outside the downtown district will be completed after the downtown district painting is completed. Painting is a yearly task; especially since we started using mandated water based latex paint.