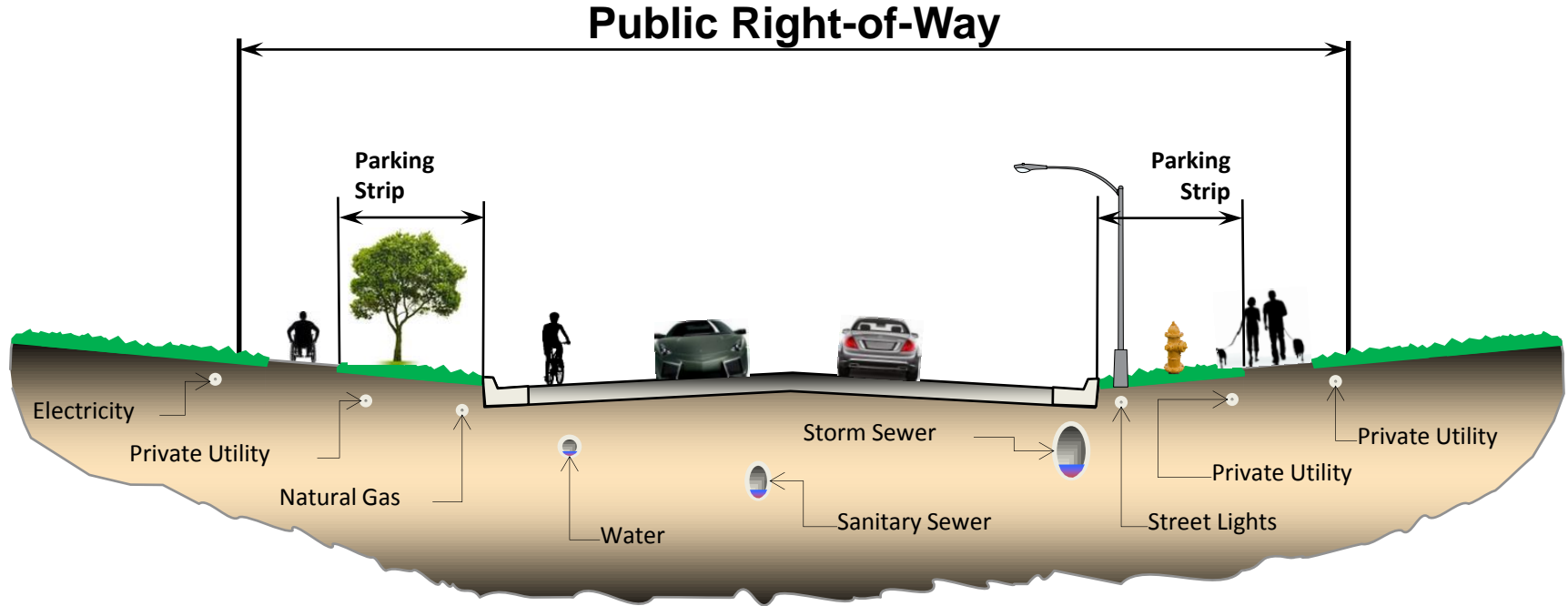


Parking Strip Ordinance

City Council
Land Use Meeting
January 19, 2016



Typical Public Right-of-Way



Ordinance Changes Are Needed

- Current ordinance only allows turf grass and trees.
- A new ordinance would allow for additional flexibility in plantings while preserving the functionality of the public right-of-way.





Updated Ordinance Recommendations

What's Allowed in Parking Strip

- Plants are welcome in the parking strip!
 - Turf or native grasses
 - Approved street trees
 - Annual, biennial, or perennial plants
 - Cultivated flowers
 - Wildflowers
 - Fruits and vegetables



Parking Strip Safety

- Plants must be maintained at a height of no more than **36"** from the top of the curb.
- Neither plants with thorns, spines, or other sharp rigid parts nor evergreen or deciduous shrubs will not be allowed.
- Plant material may not overhang or encroach onto the sidewalk.
- Wood mulch may be used only on a limited basis around plantings as a water-conservation measure.
- Turf grass must be maintained at a height of no more than **8"**.



Parking Strip Hard Surface Treatments

- Landscape pavers, edging, and/or rock mulch consisting of 1" to 3" nominal size rocks may be used in a portion of the parking strip up to a quarter to one-third of the surface area.
- City Engineer may permit surface treatments to be used in an area that is small, isolated, or difficult to maintain.
- Concrete splash guards will be allowed in parking strips adjacent to arterial and major collector streets.
- Asphalt paving will not be allowed.



Parking Strip Ordinance Implementation Plan

- **Adoption by Spring 2016**
- **Multi-Year Phased Approach**
 - 1st Year – Initiate Public Education Plan
 - 2nd Year – Written/Verbal Notification
 - 3rd Year – Achieve Compliance
 - * Continue responding to complaints and public safety



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Thank you!
Questions?