Item No. 470S
Curb Cuts for Sidewalk Ramps and Driveways

470S.1 Description
This item shall govern horizontal and vertical curb saw cuts, which are undertaken on existing or newly placed Portland cement concrete curb, in order to accommodate the construction of new concrete sidewalk ramps and/or driveways at the locations indicated on the Drawings or as directed by the Engineer or designated representative. The curb cutting operation shall be conducted from the street side of the existing or newly placed curb.

This specification is optional and is applicable for projects or work involving either inch-pound or SI units. Within the text inch-pound units are given preference followed by SI units shown within parentheses.

470S.2 Submittals
The submittal requirements of this specification item include:

A. Manufacturer and model number of saw to be used for curb cuts.

B. Documentation that the saw that is to be used on the project is designated specifically to curb cuts.

470S.3 Materials
A diamond-blade-cutting saw shall be utilized for all required curb sawing/cutting. The saw shall be capable of cutting existing or newly placed curb material into the shape of a ramp and/or driveway; leaving a smooth, accurate top face. The saw shall be specifically designed for this purpose and shall be approved by the Engineer or designated representative prior to the start of any curb cut work.

A diamond-grinding wheel shall be used for rounding the sawed concrete edges.

470S.4 Construction Methods
The curb shall be sawn in accordance with City of Austin Standard Detail 470S-1 or as directed by the Engineer or designated representative. The sawing shall be made along neat lines and shall result in smooth edges and top faces. The length of curb face, which must be removed in order to conform to the proposed sidewalk ramp or driveway, shall be sawn full depth at the bottom of the curb face using a diamond saw blade.

The saw cutting of the curb face shall be initiated at an elevation ½ inch (12.5 millimeters) above the existing gutter and extended at an angle of ¾ inch per foot (63 mm per meter) upwards and away from the gutter pan to conform with the new sidewalk ramp or driveway grade. End cuts shall be sawn full depth on an angle so that the saw cut face provides a dimension of 55 to 60 inches (1.4 to 1.5 meters) for ADA ramps and 30 inches (750mm) for driveways (Standard Detail No. 470S-1). The corners of the tops of the end cuts shall be ground using a diamond-grinding wheel to a radius of ¼ inch (6 mm).

Special care shall be taken to insure that there is no disturbance or damage to the existing roadway pavement, sidewalk pavement or curbs scheduled to remain.
damage to remaining pavements, sidewalks and/or curb due to the Contractor’s operations shall be repaired at the Contractor’s sole cost and expense.

The work under this specification item shall also include the disposal of all concrete curb materials removed during the curb cutting operation. Disposal shall conform to the requirements of City of Austin Standard Specification Item No. 401S, “Structural Excavation and Backfill”.

470S.5 Measurement

Accepted work as prescribed by this item shall include the removal and disposal of all sawn material and shall be measured by the number of lineal feet (lineal meters: 1 meter is equal to 3.281 feet) of sawcutting from top of curb cut at beginning to top of curb cut at ending for each proposed sidewalk ramp location that are completed in accordance with the Drawings, Standard Detail or as directed by the Engineer or designated representative.

470S.6 Payment

The work performed as prescribed by this item will be paid for at the unit bid price per lineal foot of "Curb Cuts" for sidewalk ramps and driveways. The bid price shall include full compensation for the cost of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the Work, the removal and disposal of the curb cut, and the cost of any repairs necessitated from damage produced during the Contractor’s operations.

Pay Item No. 470S-D: Curb Cuts for Driveways ---------- Per Lineal Foot.
Pay Item No. 470S-R: Curb Cuts for Sidewalk Ramps ------ Per Lineal Foot.

End
Curb Cuts for Sidewalk Ramps and Driveways

Item No. 375S  Concrete Pavers for Sidewalk Ramps
Item No. 403S  Concrete for Structures
Item No. 410S  Concrete Structures
Item No. 430S  Concrete Curb and Gutter
Item No. 431S  Machine Laid Curb and Gutter
Item No. 432S  Concrete Sidewalks
Item No. 433S  Concrete Driveways

RELATED CROSS REFERENCE MATERIALS - Continued

Specification 470S, “Curb Cuts For Sidewalk Ramps and Driveways”

City of Austin Technical Specifications
Designation  Description
Item No. 434S  Concrete Median and Islands
Item No. 602S  Sodding for Erosion Control
Item No. 604S  Seeding for Erosion Control
Item No. 610S  Preservation of Trees and Other Vegetation

City of Austin Standard Details
Designation  Description
430S-1  Curb and Gutter Section
430S-3  Curb Expansion Joint Dowel Detail
430S-4  Concrete Backfill Under Curb & Gutter
432S-1  Sidewalk
432S-3  Intersection Curb Ramps
432S-3A  Curb Ramps at T-Type Intersections
432S-3B  Intersection Curb Ramps with Returned Curb
432S-3C  Curb Ramps with Returned Curb at T Intersections
432S-3D  Combined Curb Ramps
432S-3E  Combined Curb Ramp at T type Intersection
432S-3F  Combined Sidewalk Curb Ramp with Pavers
432S-5  Sidewalk Curb Ramp With Pavers (type I)
432S-5A  Sidewalk Curb Ramp With Pavers (type IA)
432S-5B  Sidewalk Curb Ramp With Pavers (type IB)
432S-6  Concrete Stamp
433S-1  Type I Driveway
433S-2  Type II Driveway
610S-1  Tree Protection Fence Locations

Texas Department of Transportation:
Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets, and Bridges
Designation  Description
Item No. 104  Removing Concrete
Item No. 420  Concrete Structures