



RE: Curb Stop Valve Riser within Driveways

Dear Resident:

There is a valve on the water pipe between the main water line (generally in the street) and your house called a curb stop valve that can be used to shut off water service. Depending on the design of the house, the curb stop valve can either be located in the front yard OR within the driveway generally 8 feet below ground. A riser is attached to the curb stop valve that makes it accessible at the surface.

Curb stops valves within the driveway must have a protective cover over it that distributes the weight of a vehicle to the ground rather than directly to the curb stop valve and water service pipes below the ground. Without this protective cover, the weight of a vehicle down to the water service pipe can cause separation of the joints at the valve causing the service pipe to leak or break. We have attached a drawing showing the proper installation of a curb stop that falls within a driveway and an improper installation.

The City Code specifies the water service line is the responsibility of the property owner from the point of the connection to the water main into the building. A leak or break in the service line would require the property owner to complete expensive repairs to both the water service connection line and to the driveway.

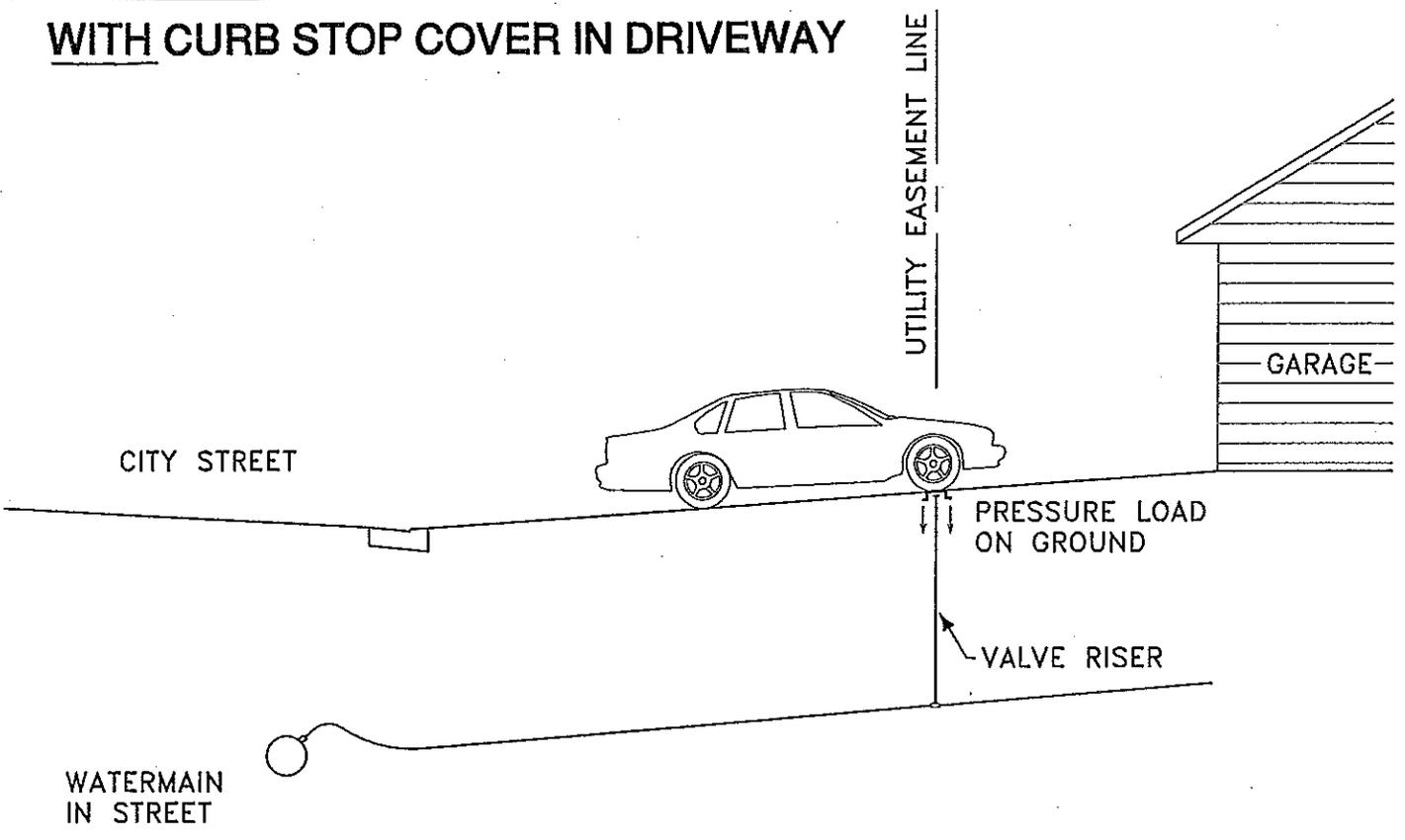
The City recommends all residents check for a curb stop within their own driveway to see if it has been installed properly. If it appears to not be installed properly we advise property owners to install a curb stop cover to prevent possible interruption in water and potentially a much greater cost to repairing a ruptured service line.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Utility Billing Department at 763.441.2310.

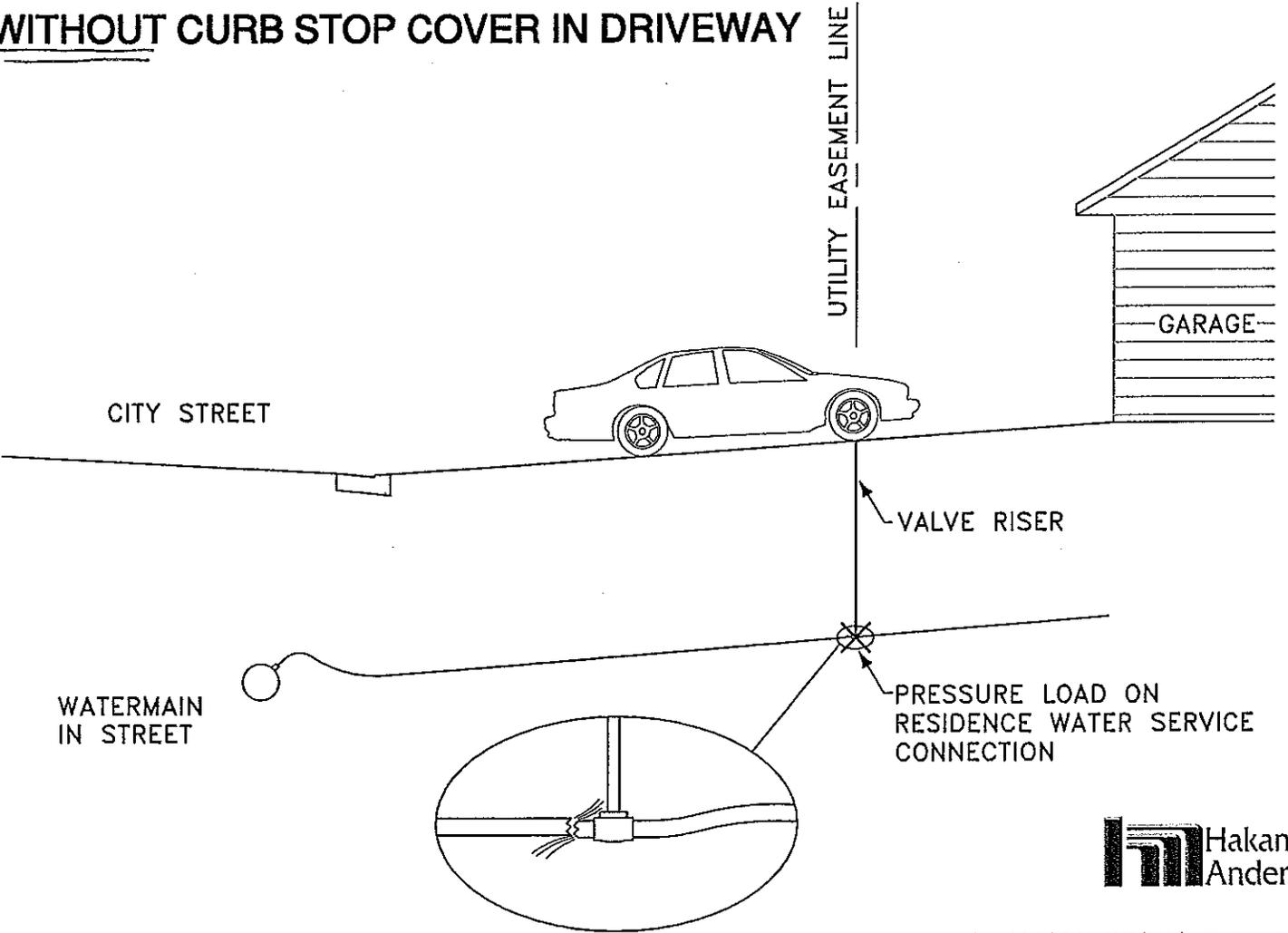
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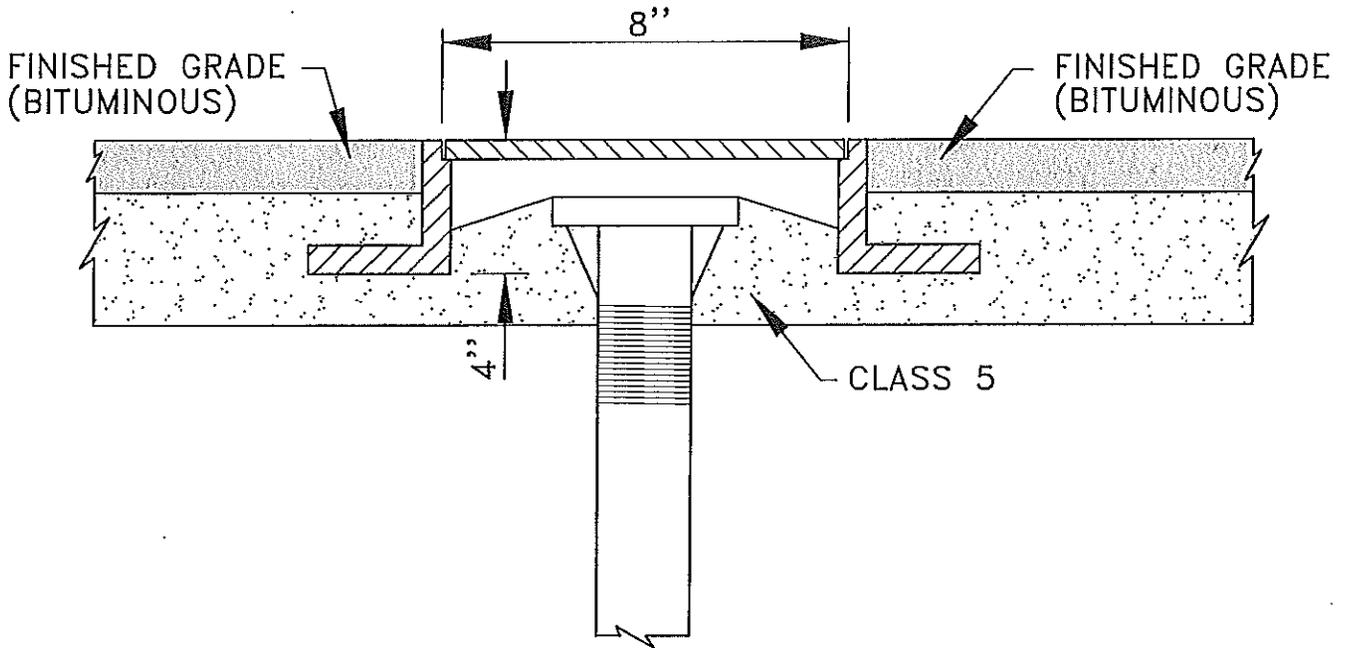
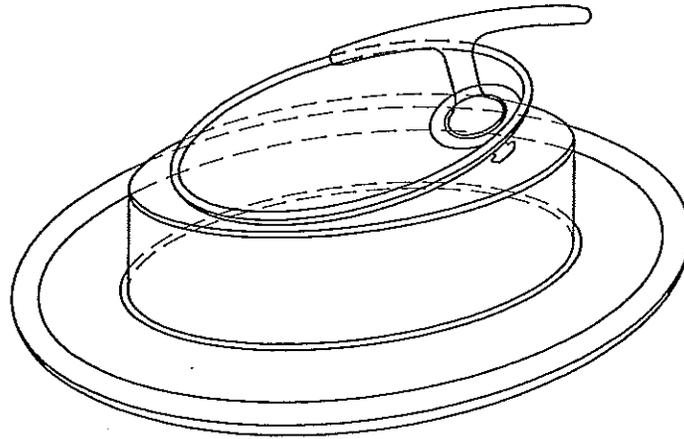
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# WITH CURB STOP COVER IN DRIVEWAY



# WITHOUT CURB STOP COVER IN DRIVEWAY





CURB STOP COVER FOR  
DRIVEWAY INSTALLATION

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