



**DO YOUR HOMEWORK:**  
*Tips on Planning a Successful  
 Home Construction Project*

1. Get written detailed bids from three contractors. Compare the bids and ask questions. Don't assume that the lowest bid is the best deal.
2. Verify that the contractor's license is active and check the complaint history at **hirealicensedcontractor.com** or call 503-378-4621.
3. Ask for, and check references. Look at other jobs the contractor has completed recently.
4. Verify who will be responsible for securing the necessary permits.
5. Agree in advance to a payment schedule, don't pay for everything up front.

**ABOUT US**

The Public Works Department is the largest department within the City of Astoria. Major areas of responsibility include: Water Treatment and Distribution; Waste Water Collection and Treatment; Street Maintenance; Engineering Services; Sanitation/ Recycling Services; Fleet Maintenance for all City Vehicles; Forestry Management; City Facility Maintenance; Railroad Maintenance; and Mapping with Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

The Public Works Department is actively involved in a wide range of current and future capital improvements ranging from water, sewer, streets, storm water projects, to overseeing construction management and participating in the land development review process.

For further information please visit our website at **[www.astoria.or.us](http://www.astoria.or.us)**.

**HOW TO CONTACT US**

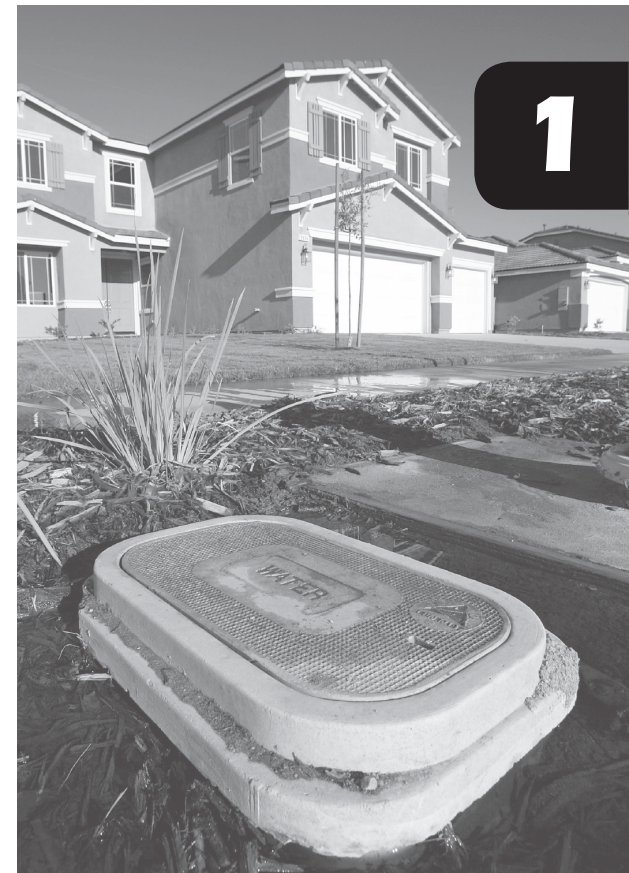
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**Do I need to  
 complete a  
 Utility Service  
 Application?**

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# KEY INFORMATION REGARDING UTILITY SERVICE APPLICATIONS

*The information included in this brochure is intended to be an overview of the applications required for utility service in the City of Astoria (City). Additional permits may be required for the proposed work. The City provides the following utility services in most areas.*

## UTILITY SERVICE APPLICATION

### WATER SERVICE

**Purpose:** A water service hookup application is required for installation of a new water service and meter or a water meter reduction (Water Resolution, Section 1.01).

**Sizing:** Water service sizing is based on Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDUs). This information can be found in Public Works Water Rules and Regulations, Appendix A in the Water Service Resolution or in the Water Service Hookup Estimate. For example, a single family, detached home produces 1 EDU (320 gallons/unit/day) and requires a ¾" water service and meter. Public Works, Engineering Division staff will size the service line and meter for standard installations. For non-standard installations including fire protection, low water main pressure, and special fixture units situations, the owner is responsible for sizing and should consult a professional engineer.

**Fee:** Water service fees vary and can be found in the Water Service Hookup Estimate. The following fees are shown for common installations:

¾" Service and Meter.....	\$6,455.77
Meter Reduction (1" to ¾").....	\$409.37
¾" Drop-In Fee.....	\$409.37

### SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION

**Purpose:** A sewer hookup application is required for installation of a new sanitary sewer connection to the City's sanitary sewer system (Sewer Resolution, Section 1.08).

**Sizing:** Sanitary sewer services are sized based on the most current edition of the Plumbing Code or by a professional engineer where special conditions exist.

**Fee:** Sanitary sewer connection fees are based on the size of the water meter serving the subject property. The following table applies:

WATER METER SIZE	CONNECTION CHARGE
¾"	\$889.60
1"	\$1,771.45
1 - 1/2"	\$2,528.19
2"	\$4,057.45
3"	\$8,356.73
4"	\$11,641.89
6"	\$23,158.82
8"	\$40,855.69
10"	\$52,934.17

Sanitary sewer connections for properties with water meters larger than 10 inches are determined by City Council.

### STORM DRAINAGE CONNECTION

**Purpose:** A storm drainage connection application is required for connection of a new storm drainage system to the City's storm drainage system (Sewer Resolution, Section 1.08(5)).

**Sizing:** Storm drainage laterals are sized based on the most current edition of the Plumbing Code or by a professional engineer where special conditions exist.

**Fee:** Storm drainage connection fees are based on the lot/parcel area. The connection fee for properties up to 5,000 square feet is \$557.14. Fees for properties larger than 5,000 square feet and commercial properties will be calculated at \$0.11 per square foot.

