

§ 223-11. Address numbers on streets, highways and rights-of-way. [Amended 6-15-1999; 6-5-2001]

A. Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 231:133-a, the Planning and Development Director of the City of Rochester, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to assign numbers to all existing residential and/or commercial structures and/or to vacant lots. In assigning numbers to residential and/or commercial structures and/or vacant lots, the Planning and Development Director, or his/her designee, shall employ the following criteria: **[Amended 10-15-2013; at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. II)]**

- (1) For every 10 feet of right-of-way frontage within the Special Downtown District of the City of Rochester, as defined in Chapter 275, Zoning, of the Code of the City of Rochester, there shall be an individual number assigned.
- (2) For every 50 feet of right-of-way frontage outside of the Special Downtown District of the City of Rochester, as defined in Chapter 275, Zoning, of the Code of the City of Rochester, there shall be an individual number assigned.
- (3) Streets shall be numbered so that even numbers are located on the left side of the right-of-way and odd numbers are located on the right side of the right-of-way. The right and left sides of the right-of-way shall be determined by the relationship of the right-of-way to a person facing away from the center of the City of Rochester at the statue of Parson Main.
- (4) The numbering for culs-de-sac shall begin at the intersection of the cul-de-sac and the collector right-of-way and shall proceed from the right-hand side of the collector right-of-way from right to left around the cul-de-sac.
- (5) Mobile home parks and condominium and apartment complexes shall, to the extent possible, as determined by the committee established in § 223-10C(3) above, name their private streets and number each unit consistent with the E-911 standards set forth in this section.
- (6) Each apartment building shall be given one street number and each apartment unit within such building shall be assigned that street number and unit number.
- (7) Existing numbering patterns for existing streets, highways and rights-of-way which do not allow for the assignment of additional numbers for future development may be assigned new numbers by the Planning and Development Director or his/her designee.

- (8) All new buildings and/or structures, as defined in Chapter 275, Zoning, Article 2, of the Code of the City of Rochester, or additions to existing buildings and/or structures, shall be required to obtain and file with the Department of Building, Zoning, and Licensing Services a foundation certification plan in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 40, Building Construction and Property Maintenance, § 40-15.
 - (9) The beginning of a street shall be that end which intersects with a collector street and, so far as possible, shall be that end closest in distance to the statue of Parson Main.
 - (10) Any building or structure for which a number has been designated shall have such number affixed thereto in such manner as to be plainly visible from the street which abuts the main entrance to the property. Such numbers shall be a minimum height as to meet current Fire Code requirements.
 - (11) The owner of any building or structure who shall fail to affix an assigned number to his/her mail box and building or structure within 30 days of written notice from the Planning and Development Director shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.) for each day that such number is not affixed. Any number affixed in accordance with this subsection shall be visible from the street. With respect to new structures, failure to display an assigned number in the manner set forth above shall be grounds for denial of a certificate of occupancy.
- B. The assignation or alteration of numbers by the Planning and Development Director pursuant to the provisions of Subsection A above shall be provisional only until such time as such assignation or alteration of numbers shall be confirmed by the Planning and Development Director after the holding of a public hearing by the City Council in accordance with the provisions of RSA 231:133-a.