

5-foot setback for Rainwater pipe outfall

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Purpose of policy:

To help reduce and slow down the rainwater that flows into the streets and watershed of Huntington.

Rainwater-carrying that outfall directly on the City's streets erodes our streets and contributes to water pollution.

The authority to implement this comes from City of Huntington ordinance 1385.03.

Policy:

Pipes carrying predominantly rainwater from gutters, sump pumps, etc. must outfall or daylight at least 5 feet from the streets. This setback can be change at the discretion of the Building inspector or Director of Public Works for reasons of safety.

The 5 feet distance between outfall and street must not be filled with impervious surfaces (for example, concrete or asphalt). [Why? Because the reduction of rainfall velocity and volume will only occur with surfaces that absorb, filter, or otherwise slow down rain runoff.]