ARTICLE V

Standards and Specifications for Design and Construction

Sec. 27-36. Adoption.

The City of Idaho Springs hereby adopts by reference the design and engineering specifications entitled Standards and Specifications for Design and Construction (the "Standards"). The Standards provides design and construction specifications for public improvements, public facilities and public utility systems (collectively "improvements"). The Standards shall apply to construction of public improvements required by this Code. A copy of the most current edition of the Standards is available for public inspection and purchase at the office of the City Clerk. Notwithstanding anything in this Code to the contrary, in the event that a conflict exists in the standards established by the Standards and this Code or any adopted code made a part of this Code, the most stringent standard shall govern.

Sec. 27-37. Amendments by Public Works Department.

Since technological advancements and improvements may require more frequent modifications to the Standards, the Public Works Department is authorized to amend, modify, repeal or otherwise change all or any provisions of the Standards as necessary to ensure public health and safety. Any amendment to the Standards shall specifically identify the section for amendment, and shall set forth the language of the amendment in full. Amendments to the Standards shall be effective once approved by the person designated by the City Council to oversee the Public Works Department operations (the "Public Works Superintendent"). At the discretion of the Public Works Superintendent, a new edition of the Standards shall be proposed following a significant number of amendments of the Standards.

Sec. 27-38. Review of proposals by City Council.

The City Council is authorized to review and accept, conditionally accept, or deny proposals for a new edition of the Standards. Any proposal for a new edition of the Standards shall specifically identify the sections proposed for amendment and shall set forth the language of the proposed amendment in full. No new edition of the Standards shall be adopted unless approved according to the requirements of Section 2-15, Quorum; voting, of the Idaho Springs Municipal Code. Denial of adoption of a proposal for a new edition of the Standards shall not change or nullify any effective amendments to the Standards previously accepted or approved by the Public Works Superintendent.

Sec. 27-39. Standards for other public improvements.

For any public improvement or any aspect or element of a public improvement that is not addressed by the Standards, the public improvement shall be planned, designed and constructed in accordance with the commonly recognized standards and practices employed by professional engineers within the Denver metropolitan area. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the City Engineer and Public Works Department for assistance in the selection of the appropriate standards prior to commencing design of improvements not addressed by the Standards.

Sec. 27-40–27-45. Reserved.