

City of Holland

Policy on Lawn Components within Public Rights of Way (ROW)

A public right-of-way (ROW) is generally defined as property owned by a public entity for roadway and, if applicable, utility purposes. In residential areas, the ROW is typically 66 feet wide, centered on the centerline of the roadway. In some cases private landowners have installed irrigation lines and/or lawn ornamentation (lawn components) within the ROW.

Construction projects typically disturb large portions of the ROW and are therefore likely to damage lawn components located in the ROW. Accordingly, prior to the start of any construction project, each landowner should relocate and/or remove portions of the lawn components from the ROW to a point at least one foot outside of the ROW. The City and/or the Holland BPW cannot be held responsible for damage to lawn components located within the ROW.

In contrast, relocation of mailboxes, if required, is the responsibility of the City and/or Holland BPW.