



“...meeting community needs...enhancing quality of life.”

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## CITY OF APPLETON SIDEWALK INSTALLATION POLICY

This policy has been developed to provide pedestrian safety and convenience throughout the City of Appleton. Providing a walkable city also promotes a sense of community, provides for safe recreation and exercise, and reduces traffic congestion, pollution, and noise.

### I. NEW SUBDIVISIONS

Property owners in new subdivisions will be notified at time the occupancy permit is issued that they have six months to install sidewalk.

**Sidewalks, not previously installed by property owner within six months of occupancy, will be installed under city contract, with the cost of installation assessed to the property owner per the Special Assessment Policy.**

**At locations where sidewalks are required to be wider than 5 feet (i.e., sidepaths), the installation of sidewalks will be performed under City contract at the time of concrete street paving, with the cost of installation assessed to the property owner per the Special Assessment Policy.**

Vacant lots will have sidewalk installed as part of the Concrete Street Paving Program.

### II. ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOODS (PRIOR TO 1992)

Sidewalks shall be installed when one of the following conditions is met:

#### A. Arterial & Collector Streets

Sidewalks shall be installed on both sides of all arterial and collector streets in accordance with the Five-Year Sidewalk Plan adopted by Common Council.

#### B. Local Streets

1. Sidewalks shall be installed along any residential property when a specific need is demonstrated and approved by Common Council.

2. Sidewalks shall be installed along the one side of any residential block in which sidewalks exist along 50% of that side of that block.

3. Sidewalks shall be installed on all streets, within ½ mile, leading directly to

elementary and middle schools and other major pedestrian generators as demonstrated and approved by the Common Council. The city will work with the School Districts to provide safe walking routes.

4. Sidewalk shall be considered for installation, where they currently don't exist, when streets are reconstructed.

### **III. EXISTING SIDEWALK**

No existing sidewalk may be removed or abandoned without Common Council approval.

### **IV. ANNEXED AREAS**

Sidewalks shall be installed in newly annexed areas at the time the streets are constructed to urban sections.

### **V. NEW NON-RESIDENTIAL SITE PLANS**

Sidewalks shall be installed by the site owner in conjunction with the facility construction on non-residential properties.

### **VI. INDUSTRIAL PARKS**

Sidewalks shall not be required within a City of Appleton Industrial Park unless a specific pedestrian need is demonstrated.

### **VII. CITY PARKS**

Sidewalks or alternative pedestrian pathways shall be installed along or within City Parks where there is a demonstrated need and subject to review by Park and Recreation Committee and subsequent consideration by Municipal Services Committee and final approval by the Common Council.

### **VIII. MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES**

Sidewalks shall be installed along all blocks that lead to all-way stop controlled and signal controlled intersections.

### **IX. CHANGES TO POLICY**

This policy shall not be revoked or substantively modified unless ~~approved by the Common Council.~~

- ~~A. The city published notice of the initial Committee meeting (date, time and location) at which action may be taken to revoke or modify the policy.~~
- ~~B. Such notice shall expressly notify the public that the policy will be reviewed at the meeting.~~
- ~~C. The notice shall be published in the AppleSource or at least twice in the local newspaper in an ad not smaller than 4 inches by 4 inches (including a weekday edition and a weekend edition) within 7 days immediately preceding the meeting.~~
- ~~D. Any revocation of/or modification to the policy must be approved by the Common Council.~~