

City Council Policy: CP204 - Sidewalks

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Approved By: Governing Body

## I. PURPOSE

**A.** To establish a Public Works policy for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of City sidewalks.

## II. RESPONSIBILITY

A. Director of Public Works

## III. POLICY

- **A.** All arterial streets will have sidewalks constructed on both sides of the street.
- B. All collector streets will have sidewalks constructed on both sides of the street
- **C.** All local streets will have sidewalks constructed on one side of the street. (See possible exception, Section I. below)
- **D.** Sidewalks may be constructed one side of street as part of a street resurfacing project
- **E.** Sidewalks installed by the City will be financed by the City
- **F.** A notice of intent to construct a sidewalk will be sent to property owners before design work is begun.
- **G.** The City of Prairie Village will repair or replace and pay the entire cost for sidewalks on public streets within the City limits of Prairie Village that have deteriorated due to natural conditions, except as otherwise provided by Prairie Village Municipal Code Chapter XIII Article 1 SIDEWALKS.
- **H.** Sidewalks will be constructed all around cul-de-sacs that are 501 feet or longer. Sidewalks will not be constructed on cul-de-sacs 500 feet or less unless a sidewalk already exists.
- I. For residential / local streets, property owners who abut the street with a proposed sidewalk project may contest its construction. Public Works will send a written notice of intent to construct a sidewalk to the property owners abutting the street. The notice will be sent certified mail (no return receipt) to the first property owner of record as listed on the Johnson County land records. The notice will include a vote petition which the proeprty owner can indicate approval or disapproval of the construction of the sidewalk. The vote petition must be received by Public Works within 30 calendar days of the mailing of the notice. No response is counted towards approval of the construction of a sidewalk. There is only one vote petition per residential property. If 75 percent or greater of the vote petitions indicate disapproval, then the sidewalk will not be constructed as part of the street project. If more than 25 percent of the vote petitions indicate approval or are not returned, then the sidewalk will be constructed as a part of the project.

## IV. CONSTRUCTION

- A. All constructed sidewalks shall have a minimum width of five feet
- **B.** When a sidewalk terminates at a street pavement, a ramp shall be constructed in accordance with the latest provisions of the American with Disabilities Act.