

Residential Sidewalk Program

Proposed Schedule Modifications

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At its August 13 meeting, the City Council decided not to proceed with the sidewalk construction project scheduled for this fall on Eunice and Brooks Avenues citing that Eunice Avenue sidewalks should be constructed when those on Hallquist Avenue are done. With on going direction from the City Council, city staff will be working on the following proposed schedule of residential sidewalk construction projects over the next two years:

2008

- Brooks Avenue – Pioneer Road to 900 feet southerly (sidewalks on both sides of the street)

A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for November 12, 2007 to order in the sidewalk construction for the spring of 2008. Affected property owners will receive notices of this meeting in the mail.

- Reichert Avenue – entire length of street (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- Lidberg Street – entire length of street (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- Twin Bluff Road – south of Pioneer Road to the city limit line (eight-foot bituminous path on the west side of the road)

The City of Red Wing has received a federal Safe Routes to School Grant for the proposed 2008 sidewalk projects. This grant will cover almost all of the total project costs and helping stretch the city's 2008 construction dollars further. A neighborhood meeting will be held in the middle of September to discuss the proposed project with the affected property owners; and a public hearing is tentatively scheduled for October 8, 2007 to order in the sidewalk construction for the summer of 2008. Affected property owners will receive mailed notices of these meetings.

2009

- Hallquist Avenue – Pioneer Road to Pine Ridge Boulevard (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- Eunice Avenue – entire length of street (sidewalks on both sides of the street)

The City Council has authorized city staff to apply for another federal Safe Routes to School Grant for this proposed 2009 project. The grant applications are due later this fall. A neighborhood meeting will be held in the middle of January to discuss the proposed project with the affected property owners. A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for February 11, 2008 to order in the sidewalk construction for the spring and summer of 2009. Affected property owners will receive notices of these meetings in the mail.

After the above three proposed projects have been brought forward through the public hearing process and the City Council has determined if they will move forward to construction, the following list of proposed sidewalk projects will be scheduled for Council action and tentative construction between the years of 2010 and 2012. They are listed in the priority ranking established by the Sidewalk Committee:

- Neal Street – alley west of Hillside Drive to Hay Creek Valley Road (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- Hay Creek Valley Road – Neal Street northerly to connection with Hay Creek Trail (sidewalk on the west side of the road)

- Bush Street – 17th Street to the end of the curb and gutter (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- South Park Street – between 17th and 18th Streets (sidewalk on the south side of the street)
- Hennings Avenue – entire length of street (sidewalks on both sides of the street)
- Old West Main Street – Withers Harbor Drive to Harrison Street (sidewalk on the south side of the street)
- Withers Harbor Drive – from the bowling alley to Old West Main Street (sidewalk on the east side of the street)

All of the proposed sidewalk projects are proposed to be assessed for the cost of the new sidewalks only, which accounts for approximately 35 percent of the overall construction costs. Assessments do not include additional project costs such as excavation, curb removal and replacement, installing pedestrian ramps, making driveway modifications, building retaining walls, removing or planting trees, or topsoil and turf establishment. These additional costs are paid for by the general fund or through grants.

The Sidewalk Committee recommendations, the ordinances, and *Red Wing Current* articles featuring sidewalk improvements can all be viewed at www.red-wing.org in the Engineering Department section.

For more information about these proposed residential sidewalk improvements, please contact the Engineering Department at 385.3600.