## Proposed Sidewalk Ordinance Amendments -- Summary

May 26, 2022



## Intent

- To create a complete sidewalk network in the city by:
  - Providing more sidewalk options;
  - Establishing a sidewalk fund and protocols for constructing sidewalks in the city.

## **Amendment Summary**

- Options for sidewalk compliance
  - 1. Construct the sidewalk(s) in accordance with the approved sidewalk plan; or
  - 2. Pay the fee in lieu of sidewalk construction if meeting one of the following:
    - a. Meet all the criteria listed under Sec 40-560(a)(1); or
    - b. Request the Sidewalk Committee authorize a fee in lieu of sidewalk construction and the request is approved.
- The revised Sidewalk Standard Modification Application allows the following modification requests pursuant to Sec 40-559:
  - 1. Modification of sidewalk width
  - 2. Modification or exemption of safety buffer width
- Requests to pay the fee in lieu of sidewalk construction
  - 1. Submit the request pursuant to Sec 40-561(a).
  - 2. The Sidewalk Committee reviews the request pursuant to Sec 40-561(c) and (d).
  - 3. If the request is denied, sidewalk construction is required.
- The Sidewalk Fund
  - 1. Create 15 Sidewalk Service Areas to collect fee in lieu of sidewalk construction.
  - 2. Fee in lieu of sidewalk construction will be calculated on a square foot basis cost of materials and labor.
  - 3. 70% of the collected fee will be allocated for sidewalk construction projects within the corresponding Sidewalk Service Area, 30% of the collected fee will be allocated for sidewalk construction projects within the city limit.
  - 4. The Chief Transportation Planner will develop and maintain a Sidewalk Prioritization Scoring Matrix to objectively score and prioritize potential sidewalk construction projects.
  - 5. The Chief Transportation Planner will provide an annual report to the Planning Commission on the utilization of the sidewalk fund and related sidewalk projects completed during the previous fiscal year.
  - 6. Any proposed updates to the Sidewalk Service Area Map or Sidewalk Prioritization Scoring Matrix will require the Planning Commission approval.

## **Project Timeline**

Ordinance Amendment presentation to the Planning Commission

Ordinance Amendment public comment period

Presentation to Quality of Life and Transportation, Technology

and Infrastructure Committees

City Council action

Effective date

May 26, 2022

May 20, 2022 – June 23, 2022

July, 2022

late summer, 2022

October 1, 2022