

City of Flagstaff Sidewalk Replacement Program

Presented to Flagstaff City Council
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Sidewalk Replacement Program

5-Yr. History

- Averaged 35 requests annually over 5-yr. period
- One-third due to tree roots heaving sidewalks
- Utility breaks = approximately 18-year
- Climate caused
(freezing/thawing & heaving during summer heat)

Sidewalk Replacement Program

- Guided by City Code, Sec. 8-01, Sidewalks
 - Records complaints on sidewalks needing repair
 - Notifies owners providing 30 days for repair, weather permitting
 - Owner has 10 days to advise City whether they will fix (they pay half) or would City to fix and the City bills them for their half. If no owner contact within 10 days, City fixes and bills them their portion.

Sidewalk Replacement Program

- All sidewalks built to engineering specifications
- If property owner improves property, required to bring infrastructure to engineering standards
- **Objection Hearings**
 - Owner may file objection on Public Works determination before Council to present supporting evidence of objection. Council determines the cost of repairs
- **Expenses May Constitute Lien**
- **Penalty may be assessed for non-payment**

Sidewalk Replacement Categories

- Residential Sidewalk Replacement Program = 50/50 cost share between City and resident
- Commercial properties replace sidewalks at 100% of cost (can have City perform work or contract out)
- ADOT IGA, Streets repairs ADOT-owned sidewalks at no cost to ADOT
- Road Repair & Street Safety initiative = existing infrastructure only
- Capital projects = determined by project manager or hired professional engineer

Sidewalk Replacement Program Costs 2015

Sidewalk Replacement Program: 38 repairs; approximately 3,000 sf costing \$15,000 plus \$15,000 from citizens (at about \$10/sf)

Streets repaired commercial property:

Approximately 457 sf = cost to property owners of \$4,573

Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Intergovernmental Agreement :
Approximately 54 sf replaced at City cost of \$540 (no cost to ADOT)

Road Repair and Street Safety Initiative, 406 bond:

25,740 sf replaced at cost of \$335,139

(\$13.02/sf--no cost to adjacent property owners)

Capital projects:

Varies depending on project

(no cost to adjacent property owners)

Thank you

Questions?