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THE RESIDENTIAL NEW CONCRETE SIDEWALK POLICY:

1. OUTLINES HOW CITY RESIDENTS MAY
REQUEST A NEW RESIDENTIAL
CONCRETE SIDEWALK
2. EXPLAINS THE EVALUATION CRITERIA
THE CITY WILL USE TO SELECT PROJECTS



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ELIGIBILITY

EVALUATION CRITERIA

TIMELINE & FUNDING

The City of Fairfax will accept requests for new sidewalks on **local, residential streets**. These requests may be made by city citizens, staff, or elected or appointed Board members.

PETITION PROCESS

Citizens who want to apply for a residential sidewalk on their street must complete the residential sidewalk petition form and collect signatures from as many residences as possible on the block (on both sides of the street) where the sidewalk is being requested.

Requests must be made in writing and petitions must contain original signatures.



The City considers the following criteria when evaluating and selecting potential projects:

1. Neighborhood Connectivity

- Does this request improve access to trails & transit?
- Does this request complete a missing link?

2. Access to Destinations

- Does this request improve access to activity centers, commercial areas, schools, parks or other community destinations?

3. Safety Considerations

- What is the average daily volume and speed of traffic on the road?
- What is the width of the roadway?
- Are there other pedestrian safety considerations?

4. Resident Support

- How many residents on the block signed the petition?

5. Cost & Constructability

- Is there sufficient existing public right of way to build the sidewalk?
- Are there opportunities to coordinate the sidewalk project with other improvements?
- What is the overall cost to construct the new sidewalk?

Petition forms are due to the Transportation Division no later than **September 1** to be considered for the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) in the upcoming budget year.

If a project is included in the CIP, all affected residents will be notified before the date of the first Planning Commission public hearing.

The final decision to provide sidewalk project funding is done when the City Council adopts the annual budget.

When City Council approves funding for a sidewalk project, City Staff will proceed with a preliminary design concept. This design concept will then be presented to the affected residents at a citizen meeting.

City staff will proceed with final design following the citizen meeting.

