

CHAPTER 12.06

SIDEWALKS

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12.06.010 Responsibility of Owner: The cost of constructing, repairing and maintaining sidewalks in front of property is the responsibility of the owner of the property.

12.06.020 Specifications: Private Sidewalks shall be built from the curb line to the property line or from the sidewalk to either line made of concrete. Concrete private walks shall be of uniform width and shall be built upon the established grade from the curb line to the property line, and shall be not less than 60 inches (60") in width; provided that in front of churches, schoolhouses and other public buildings, the concrete private walks may be of greater width than mentioned above. In cases where the proposed sidewalk provides a connection between existing sidewalks that are less than the required width, the proposed sidewalk may be constructed to match the width of the adjacent sidewalks. However, this modification is not allowed in cases where one end of the proposed sidewalk will provide a connection to future sidewalks for new development. In such a case, the sidewalk should be tapered to provide a transition between differing sidewalk widths. The city will determine where along the street the transition should occur.

The concrete mixture to be six to one (6:1) using good sand and gravel. Concrete to be a sufficient thickness so that a curb shall be six inches (6") high.

All sidewalks shall rise one-fourth inch (1/4) to the foot from the side adjacent to the curb to the side adjacent to the property line.

No person may divert or impound the natural flow of surface waters, or permit a diversion or impounding to continue in a manner that damages the property of another by the overflow of the water diverted or impounded.

12.06.030 Reserved

12.06.040 Repairs: It shall be the duty of the owners and tenants of any premises within the incorporated limits of the Town to keep the sidewalk in front of and adjoining their premises in good, safe and substantial condition, and the owners shall see that all breaks or unsoundness of any character resulting from natural deterioration or from any

cause whatsoever, are repaired with all possible dispatch and when by reason of the construction or repairs of sidewalks from any cause whatsoever any sidewalk or section thereof is removed or rendered dangerous or impassable to the public, such spaces or openings shall be securely fenced.

The Public Works Superintendent may order sidewalks repaired where said sidewalks form a hazardous condition, or require dangerous obstructions removed. The property owner shall be given thirty (30) days or less in which to do the repairing or for removing the obstruction. At the end of the specified time the council may have the repairs done or the obstruction removed and charge the cost of same to the property owner.

12.06.050. Unsafe Sidewalks: Whenever any sidewalk is in an unsafe condition for pedestrians, it shall be the duty of the Town Public Works Superintendent to place a suitable obstruction on either side of that part of the sidewalk which is in unsafe condition and notify the owner or occupant of the abutting property that such sidewalk must be repaired. If the abutting property is unoccupied or the owner cannot be found within the Town, then the Town Public Works Superintendent shall post a notice on such property requiring the walk to be repaired. If the walk is not properly repaired within thirty (30) days from the giving of the notice as herein provided then the Town Public Works Superintendent shall report that fact to the Mayor and the Mayor may cause the sidewalk to be repaired or removed by the Town.

12.06.060 Snow and Ice Removal: All property owners shall keep the walks in good repair in front of their property. Snow and ice to be removed when necessary.

12.06.070. Excavation: Excavating or digging of any kind in the streets and alleys or on any Town property is prohibited unless a permit has first been secured from the Town.

Excavations in streets shall be made in such manner as to impede travel as little as possible, and the time that such excavation is open may be limited by the Town Public Works Superintendent or his assistant. Barricades shall be erected by the contractor around all trenches or embankments made within the limits of any street until the street has been restored to a safe and passable condition. At no time during the progress of the work shall sidewalks be unnecessarily blocked to travel.

12.02.080 Violations: Penalty: Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punishable as provided in Section 1.08.010 of this code.

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