

CITY OF PORTAGE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The Mayor and the City Council are aware of the City's aging sidewalk infrastructure. Per the City ordinance it is the responsibility of the homeowner to maintain and repair sidewalks. In an effort to offset some of the cost to the homeowner, a sidewalk replacement program has been implemented. There is limited funding for this work and work will be prioritized based on need.

The Portage Street Department will provide the labor required to replace the sidewalks. The homeowner is responsible for the cost of the material. The material price is set at \$5.00 per square foot. Multiply the length and the width of your sidewalk and multiply that figure by \$5.00. That is the cost you would pay the City to replace your sidewalk.

If you are interested in additional work on your private property, contact a licensed contractor. The Street Department will remove existing concrete, install sub base, form and pour new concrete for sidewalks along the right of way only. They will not perform work on driveways, porches, patios, or sidewalks other than sidewalks that are located within the road right of way. If tree roots are the cause of the damage, they will remove the root only, they will not remove the tree.

Sidewalks that are eligible for replacement are those that may be a hazard. Cosmetic damage is not a hazard. If only a few squares of a larger length of sidewalk are damaged only the hazardous ones will be replaced.

Once the City has determined that you meet the above criteria, fill out the attached agreement and submit it to the City's Department of Public Works. Once reviewed by the City your project will be placed on a priority list. The Street Department will try to replace the worst cases first but if a larger amount of repairs are asked for in one area all of those may be replaced prior to a smaller area that may seem to be in greater disrepair.

This is one of the many services that the Street Department provides to the residents. Please be patient. We have your information and we will get to you as soon as we possibly can.

If you have further questions regarding this project please feel free to contact the City of Portage at 762-4204.

SIDEWALK REPAIR AGREEMENT

Property Owner: _____

Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Improvement Location: _____

Quantity of Sidewalk to be Replaced: _____ 'L x _____ 'W = _____ Sq. Ft.

Property Owners' Cost: \$ _____

It being the desire of the above described property owner of the above address in Portage, Indiana, to improve, repair, and replace the sidewalks (hereinafter "Improvements") at the improvement location stated above, the undersigned hereby authorizes the City of Portage to replace the sidewalk at the location noted above at the cost as referenced, and the undersigned hereby agrees to pay to the City the property owner's share of the costs stated above. Payment shall be made at the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, 6070 Central Avenue, Portage, Indiana. Make checks payable to the City of Portage.

The property owner further agrees to allow the City to enter upon and encroach on private property as may be necessary to remove the existing sidewalk, prepare the subgrade, and install four-inch thick concrete at the improvement location.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY AND INITIAL:

Property Owner will be responsible for final grading and seeding all disturbed areas. _____
Initial

Property Owner will be responsible for all tree removal services if required. _____
Initial

Property Owner will be responsible for tree removal if the death of the tree occurs due to root damage as a result of sidewalk restoration. _____
Initial

The City shall not be responsible for damages caused from bicycles, pedestrians, vandals, etc. after the concrete has been poured. _____
Initial

The City shall not be responsible for cracks that may occur in the concrete. Every measure will be taken to prevent this from happening, however, cracking is a trait of concrete. _____
Initial

Signature of Property Owner Date: _____

City of Portage Date: _____