

City Ordinances and Codified Laws

1.) CITY ORDINANCE #1739 SEC 7-11

AMENDING CITY CODE

Installation and construction of sidewalks shall be required as a condition of issuance of all building permits in the City of Mitchell as follows:

A.) All new residential construction for single or multi family housing within the City for all sides of the property which face a curbed street.

B.) All commercial construction or renovation for all sides of the property which face a curbed street.

The City Council, or designated committee of the City Council, upon request may waive the requirement of immediate sidewalk installation which is otherwise required as a condition for the issuance of a building permit, but such waiver shall not constitute a waiver of any later requirement of the installation of sidewalk.

CITY CODE SECTION 34.15 REMOVAL OF SNOW FROM SIDEWALKS—REQUIRED

The occupant or owner of any premises in the city, adjacent to any sidewalk, shall within 15 hours after the fall of snow and ice from so much of the sidewalk as adjoins the premises.

CITY CODE SEC 37.11 TREES, HEDGE, BUSHES AND SHRUBBERY NEAR STREET INTERSECTIONS HEIGHT LIMITATION

No person, firm, or corporation shall plant, maintain or permit to grow any tree, hedge, bush, or shrubbery of any kind which has a mature growing height of greater than 24 inches within the triangle formed by the adjacent side lines of two intersecting streets, and the line joining points distant 35 feet on each side line from their point of intersection. Any tree, hedge, bush or shrubbery planted or growing within the above defined triangle exceeding 24" in height is declared a public nuisance and hazard to public safety and shall be subject to summary abatement by the City by removal.

CITY CODE SEC. 37.5: TYPES OF STREET TREES PERMITTED; VARIETY AND SPACING OF TREES TO BE APPROVED BY THE PARK BOARD.

Trees used for the tree planting shall be Hackberry, American Linden or Basswood species, Hard Maple species, Oak species, Thornless Honey Locust, any species of Ash or other tree approved by the park board. The variety of such trees to be so planted and the spacing thereof in planting shall be subject to the approval of the Park Board.

CITY CODE SEC. 37.6 SIZE OF STREET TREES

No street trees planted shall measure less than 1" in diameter of trunk one foot above the ground.

CITY CODE SEC. 37.2 TRIMMING TREES GENERALLY

The occupant or owner of any premises abutting upon any street shall keep all trees so trimmed that they comply with the specifications of the City Code.

CITY CODE SEC. 37.3 SPECIFICATIONS FOR TRIMMING TREES

All large established trees shall be trimmed to a sufficient height to allow free passage of pedestrians and vehicular traffic and in such manner so as to allow eight (8) feet clearance over all sidewalks and twelve (12) feet clearance over all streets and alleys.

SPRING BOULEVARD TREE PROGRAM

If you need trees, contact the Park's Department in April. The Park Dept will provide a tree for you to plant in replacement of the one that was removed. Also the city will remove any dead or diseased boulevard trees.

Web Sites: www.cityofmitchell.org

www.access-board.gov/adaag/html/adaag.htm

www.access-board.gov/prowac/draft.htm

www.access-board.gov/PROWAC/alterations/guide.htm

www.sddot.com/pe/roaddesign/plates_index.asp (651)(650)

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Requirements

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Sidewalk Specifications

- Sidewalk Installation is required along curbed streets on all new construction requiring a building permit.
- Boulevard Sidewalk shall be 5' wide.
- Curbside Sidewalk shall be 7' wide (6' if approved by City Engineer)
- 4" thick or 6" thick at driveways for heavy traffic, laid on 2" thick gravel cushion.
- Concrete quality to be 6 bag mix.
- Expansion joints to be placed along existing concrete. Joint material to be 1/2" thick pre-molded. Expansion joints every 50'.
- Finish to be wood float or broom finish. No steel trowel shall be used in the final finish.
- An edging tool shall be used on all edges.
- Control joints shall be cut or grooved to a minimum of 1/4" and shall be made into blocks of substantial equal sizes.
- Finished walk should be protected from drying out during hot and/or windy weather.
- **Form Inspection by the Engineering Department shall be required prior to placement of concrete. Call 995-8435**

Construction Guidelines

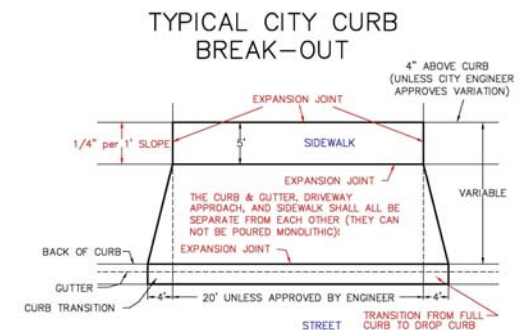
- Max Cross Slope = 2% or 1/4" per foot. (1-1/4" in 5')
- Max Ramp Slope = 8.33% or 1 in 12
- Back side of sidewalk to be 6" off property line. Locate property corners prior to installing or contact Engineer's Office for location of new sidewalk. (Typical boulevard is 7')
- Boulevard walk inside edge shall be 2% higher than curb (can be greater if approved by Engineer)
- Driveway approach max slope of 10%. 4' Curb tapers for boulevard walk and 6' tapers for curbside walk.
- City will pay for corner ramp, City will provide detectable panels. 2' curb tapers on blvd. sidewalk and 6' tapers on curbside sidewalk.
- Sidewalk section must be installed when installing concrete driveway.

Owner Responsibility

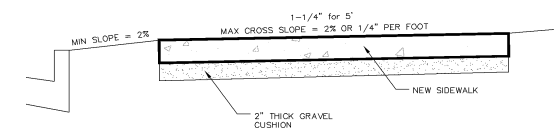
- Snow removal shall be required by the owner / occupant within 15 hours after snow falls or ice forms.
- Property owner shall maintain walk so there are no rub-bish or defects on sidewalk. Engineer's Office inspects sidewalk by quadrant every year, so if you notice your sidewalk with pink marking you will be sent a letter to repair the sidewalk by a certain time as specified in the letter. (Multi Cracks, Heave, Negative Slope and Holes)
- Vehicles cannot block the sidewalk path.
- Property Owner shall keep trees which are adjacent to sidewalk trimmed according to park specifications in [City Code Section 37.3](#).

- Plant only approved "street trees" in boulevard. Tree size for planting 1" diameter trunk minimum.
- Maintain 35' clear zone at intersections. Distance is from intersection of curb face.

SIDEWALK PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR NEW AND REPAIRED SIDEWALK IF NOT BUILT BY THE CITY'S SIDEWALK CONTRACTOR.



SIDEWALK CROSS SLOPE



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