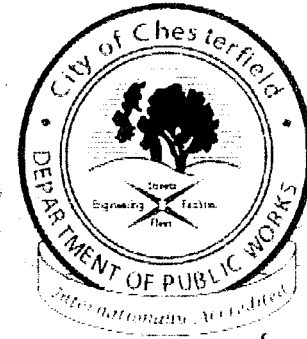


**Memorandum
Department of Public Works**



TO: Michael O. Geisel, P.E.
City Administrator

FROM: James A. Eckrich, P.E. *JAE*
Public Works Dir. / City Engineer

DATE: August 31, 2018

RE: Sidewalk within Driveway Limits

*Please forward to PPW
for review & direction
meee
9/7/2018*

Throughout the year Public Works Staff issues Special Use Permits (SUPs) which allow residents to reconstruct the portion of their driveway within public right of way. Generally, residents and contractors comply with the City's requirements to reconstruct the sidewalk in Portland Cement Concrete with limestone aggregate. However, we will occasionally have a resident or contractor object to this requirement and request to eliminate the sidewalk, or construct the sidewalk in a different material from the adjacent sidewalk.

This is problematic for a number of reasons, including:

- The alternate material is sometimes slippery, which can create a hazard to sidewalk users.
- The alternate material frequently requires sealing or maintenance which is not necessary for standard Portland Cement Concrete.
- The use of an alternate material may not be ADA compliant. Further, the change in texture can signify an intersection or upcoming hazard to some sidewalk users.

The use of standard Portland Cement Concrete with limestone aggregate and broom finish is contained within the City's SUP requirements. However, due to concerns which have been raised, City Staff would prefer that this requirement be contained within a City Council Policy.

Action Recommended

This matter should be forwarded to the Planning and Public Works Committee of City Council. If recommended for approval, the attached Policy should be forwarded to the full City Council for adoption.

**CITY OF CHESTERFIELD
POLICY STATEMENT**

PUBLIC WORKS		NO.	38
SUBJECT	Sidewalk within Driveway Limits	INDEX	PW
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POLICY

The City of Chesterfield constructs its concrete streets and sidewalks in accordance with Public Works Policy 23 – Pavement Acceptance. Streets and sidewalks are constructed using Portland Cement Concrete comprised of limestone aggregate, in accordance with Section 1005 of the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction. The concrete is broom finished.

Private driveways are maintained by the property owner, including the portion of the driveway located within public right of way. Private driveways do not serve a public purpose, they exist solely in order to access the private residence.

A resident desirous of reconstructing a driveway must obtain a Special Use Permit (SUP) from the Public Works Department. The SUP ensures that the work within the public right of way conforms to City standards. Residents may construct the driveway approach (the portion of the driveway between the curb and the sidewalk) using any hard surface, including asphalt, pavers, or concrete. However, should the City ever need to reconstruct the driveway approach, due to work on the street, the driveway approach will be reconstructed in standard concrete, in accordance with Public Works Policy 23.

If sidewalk is located within the driveway limits, the sidewalk cannot be removed and must be constructed with standard Portland Cement Concrete comprised of limestone aggregate, with a broom finish. This composition of sidewalk is required regardless of the material used to construct the remainder of the driveway.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Department Head/Council Committee (if applicable)

Date

City Administrator

Date

City Council (if applicable)

Date