

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: October 14, 2020

RE: Wilson Avenue Sidewalk

The City of Chesterfield has received a request through Councilmember Tom DeCampi to construct a section of sidewalk on the west side of Wilson Avenue just north of the Buchholz Mortuary. The sidewalk along the mortuary dead ends at Old Wilson Avenue, which formerly connected Wilson Avenue to Clarkson Road, and is now a private road. There is an approximately seventy foot gap between the end of that sidewalk and the end of the existing sidewalk in front of the Sea Beauty Farms subdivision.



While the City of Chesterfield Public Works Department maintains 260+ miles of public sidewalk, we do not typically initiate the construction of additional sidewalk unless directed by City Council. In this case it appears that construction of the missing sidewalk would require the removal of vegetation and re-grading to accommodate an existing stormwater drainage path north of Old Wilson Avenue. Further analysis would be necessary in order to determine the extent of the stormwater modifications and grading required, whether any right of way acquisition would be necessary, and the estimated cost.

This request is being forwarded to the Planning and Public Works Committee at the request of Chairman Dan Hurt.

Action Recommended

This matter should be forwarded to the Planning and Public Works Committee for consideration. Should PPW wish to pursue this section of sidewalk it should direct Staff to investigate the proposed sidewalk and determine the feasibility and estimated cost. Once completed, the results would be presented to PPW at a later date at which time PPW could consider whether the project should be included in a subsequent budget submittal or forwarded to the full City Council for a supplementary budget allocation. Should PPW determine that it does not desire to pursue this section of sidewalk no action is necessary.

Please forward to PPW for review and further direction.

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