



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

Council Session

## Item G28

### **#2002-148 - Approving Public Sidewalk Plans in the Vicinity of Seedling Mile, Stolley Park, and Engelman Elementary Schools.**

*At the May 14, 2002 Council Study Session, the Sidewalk Committee submitted a plan for construction of sidewalks in the vicinity of Seedling Mile, Stolley Park and Engleman Schools. The proposal, timeline and Resolution are attached.*

Staff Contact: Steve Riehle, City Engineer/Public Works Director

**Proposed Sidewalks Near Stolley Park,  
Seedling Mile and Engleman Schools  
May 21, 2002**

Proposed sidewalks located near Seedling Mile, Stolley Park and Engleman Elementary Schools were reviewed at the May 14, 2002 Council Study Session. The recommended locations were selected to accommodate pedestrian traffic to the schools.

These areas do not have sidewalks because they were developed as asphalt roadways without curb and gutter. Many of the locations have ditches or shallow swales (depressions) to accommodate rainwater. Construction of sidewalks in some of these areas will be straightforward because the ditches are shallow or have been filled in. Other locations will be problematic because of the ditches.

The Council expressed their desire to have sidewalks installed before school starts in the fall of 2002. The following schedule is recommended for sidewalk installation:

**May 21, 2002**

Council directs staff to request property owners install sidewalks before August 21, 2002 at the following locations:

1. Seedling Mile School
  - a. On the North side of Seedling Mile Road from Voss Road to Shady Bend Road.
  - b. On the South side of Seedling Mile Road from Villa Mar Dee Avenue to Main Street.
2. Stolley Park School
  - a. On both sides of William Street from Grand Avenue to Stolley Park Road.
  - b. On the North side of Grand Avenue east from Riverview Drive to the existing sidewalk east of August Street.
  - c. On both sides of Riverview Drive south of Grand Avenue.
3. Engleman School
  - a. On both sides of Gateway Avenue from Sherwood Road to Capital Avenue.
  - b. On the West side of Marian Road from the School north to Blauvelt Road.
  - c. On the South side of Blauvelt Road from Marian Road to Northwest Avenue.
  - d. On the East side of Northwest Avenue from Capital Avenue to Texas Avenue.
  - e. On the West side of Northwest Avenue from Capital Avenue to Saddle Horse Court.

**August 29, 2002**

Council creates a Sidewalk District for properties that have not installed sidewalks.

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The remaining locations where sidewalks were discussed have ditch and drainage concerns that will make installation of sidewalks difficult. These areas are at the furthest ends of the sidewalk areas where the numbers of school children using the sidewalk will be less. Installation of sidewalks in these areas will require re-grading of the ditch. The ditch or the sidewalk may have to be constructed within an easement on private property.

Councilmember Larson suggested that sidewalks be considered on Pioneer Boulevard South of Stolley Park Road and on August Street between Rosemont Avenue and Grand Avenue. Staff recommends that these areas be studied and included in the next phase of sidewalks to be constructed.

If Council would like to pursue installation of sidewalks in the areas with ditch and drainage concerns, staff will begin design work. Two possibilities exist for a typical section:

1. Ditch within existing Right of Way with a sidewalk on an Easement or purchased Right of Way.
2. A sidewalk within existing Right of Way with a ditch located within an Easement or purchased Right of Way.

RESOLUTION 2002-148

WHEREAS, Section 32-58 of the Grand Island City Code authorizes the City Council to give notice to property owners to construct sidewalks contiguous to the street side boundary lines of any lot, tract or parcel of land within the city; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City contact the property owners of the following properties near Stolley Park School, Seedling Mile School and Engleman Elementary School, giving them notice to construct such sidewalk according to the provisions set out in Section 32-58 of the Grand Island City Code:

- Both sides of the street along William Street, from Grand Avenue to Stolley Park Road;
- North side of Grand Avenue east from Riverview Drive to the existing sidewalk east of August Street;
- Both sides of the street along Riverview Drive, south of Grand Avenue;
- North side of Seedling Mile Road from Voss Road to Shady Bend;
- South side of Seedling Mile Road from Villa Mar Dee Avenue to Main Street;
- Both sides of the street along Gateway Avenue from Sherwood Road to Capital Avenue;
- West side of Marian Road from Engleman Elementary School north to Blauvelt Road;
- South side of Blauvelt Road from Marian Road to Northwest Avenue;
- East side of Northwest Avenue from Capital Avenue to Texas Avenue;
- West side of Northwest Avenue from Capital Avenue to Saddle Horse Court

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the City of Grand Island be, and hereby is, authorized to give the property owners of the above-listed property, notice to install sidewalks in the areas identified above.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on May 21, 2002.

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

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May 17, 2002	◆	City Attorney