

FAQ's – Capital Improvements

There are two common times when sidewalk and curb & gutter are required to be installed, if not already in place. When a new dwelling is built, or a street reconstruction project is completed. These two events provide an opportunity to promote safe pedestrian traffic, storm water management and the efficient and economical development of the city. The ordinances 38-35, 38-120 & 38-121 have been established with great efforts to provide consistency, public safety, and general welfare for the citizenry.

Q: If my property has existing improvements, i.e., sprinkler system, outdoor lighting, landscaping, within the right of way who is responsible for relocating those improvements?

A: The homeowner is responsible.

Q: Will I be assessed for sidewalk, asphalt, sewer or water laterals, storm sewer or curb & gutter?

A: The City Engineer and Staff will prepare an assessment for public hearing for those individual improvements when necessary. If these improvements are existing and installed to city specifications, typically an assessment would not be required.

Q: Will I lose my trees?

A: We try to save trees when feasible. Many times, existing trees are not suited for a boulevard area or may be planted in locations over sewer or water laterals. A tree replacement program is offered by the Parks & Recreation Department. Tree replacement forms can be found on the City's website.

Q: I have discharge water from a sump pump or eaves troughs that accumulates in my backyard, what other options do I have?

A: We provide storm sewer typically in the boulevard for an accumulation point to carry the discharge to a centralized collection point.

Q: My neighbors don't have sidewalk or curb & gutter. Do I need to install a sidewalk and curb & gutter when I build a home?

A: Yes, providing the proper street grade has been established.