

At Your Service

To:

President and Members of the Munster Town Council

From: Jill DiTommaso

Date: May 16, 2022

Re:

Ordinance 1866: Amending Ordinance 1821- 50/50 Public Sidewalk Replacement

Program

Last spring, the Town Council adopted Ordinance 1821 establishing the 50/50 Public Sidewalk Replacement Program. After the initial implementation of the program last summer, staff met to discuss successes and failures with an eye toward improving the program. Out of these discussions came the recommendation to cap the amount an individual property owner would be required to pay under the program. Rather than selecting a dollar amount, which would have to be revised occasionally due to inflation, a percentage was recommended.

The table below lists the total possible amount of repair cost for several representative lot widths in town. Also shown are the maximum cost-share under the current policy as well as several proposed capped amounts based on a percentage of lot width.

Lot Width (ft)	Total Cost to repair entire walk	Resident portion of total cost			
		Uncapped	75% cap	70% cap	50% cap
60	\$2,685.00	\$1,342.50	\$1,006.88	\$939.75	\$671.25
75	\$3,356.25	\$1,678.13	\$1,258.59	\$1,174.69	\$839.06
100	\$4,475.00	\$2,237.50	\$1,678.13	\$1,566.25	\$1,118.75
Corner Lots					
200	\$8,950.00	\$4,475.00	\$3,356.25	\$3,132.50	\$2,237.50
250	\$11,187.50	\$5,593.75	\$4,195.31	\$3,915.63	\$2,796.88

These costs are based on the current contract prices for this year's program with JJ Newell Concrete Contractors.

Please note that typical sidewalk repairs under the program range between five feet and thirty feet depending on the severity of the hazard. The resident portion of the cost of these repairs is \$111.88 for a five-foot replacement to \$671.25 for thirty feet.

## Recommendation:

By motion and roll call vote, hear Ordinance 1866 on first reading and set second reading for the next regular meeting.