

Subject: Sidewalks Hazelden Park Subdivision

Apparently the City as part of reconstructing the easterly portion of St Anthony Road is planning to install a sidewalk on the south side of the road. The entire neighbourhood is without any sidewalks and street lights and the residents prefer it that way. I have personally lived on the west end of St Anthony Road for 52 years. At this time reconstruction of the westerly half is not anticipated and would only happen some time in the future. In front of our place we have a beautiful set of mailboxes and adjacent to that is a large above ground transformer. If a sidewalk was mandated in the future it would have to snake in behind these obstructions cutting our front yard in half. Similar issues occur on the easterly portion of St Anthony Road where residents are objecting. When contacted the City indicated that the sidewalk was necessary to meet accessibility standards. The simple solution is to phase the project, the roadwork now and the sidewalk as phase 2 sometime in the future. In other words phase 2 will never happen because there will always be more pressing needs. An alternative would be to construct a sidewalk on the west side of Hyde Park Road from St Anthony Road to Riverside Drive. There would be no objections from residents and it would serve the entire subdivision leading to the main artery which is Riverside Drive. In other words don't spend our money where the residents do not want it and spend it in more needy areas of our great city.

Respectfully Submitted.

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