

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] sidewalks on Bartlett cres

I was informed by a neighbor that the City will be putting in sidewalks on the east side of Bartlett. This is the first I have heard of this.

First of all Bartlett Cres. Is a very quiet, safe neighborhood. There is very little traffic flow, which makes it easier for people to walk on roadway. Not having a sidewalk has not been an issue here as many people are out walking on a daily basis.

These are my concerns:

1. Noise and disruption to the area for a long period of time.
2. Single car garage homes will be left with only one parking spot in driveway. Property loss will impact parking greatly.
3. As we have a corner lot our property will be greatly impacted.
4. It creates more maintenance. Shovelling in winter. I am a senior and that is a lot of sidewalk to shovel. One of the reasons I bought this home was due to the fact there wasn't any sidewalk which meant less maintenance for me.
5. Annual property damage due to sidewalk plows. As it is the people plowing the roadway rip up our lawn in winter. The sidewalk plow just causes more issues as they cant do a very good job. Most of the people in the area who have sidewalks do not shovel them. They feel it is the City's responsibility. The plow makes it harder for people to get around on the sidewalk.
6. Reduced curbside appeal and property value.
7. Increased taxes.
8. Unnecessary removal of trees. Energy costs will go up due to loss of shade.
9. I have noticed that in winter where the city plow has done sidewalks, people with wheelchairs etc. Prefer to go on the road as the sidewalks are iced over or have been plowed and there are so many ruts etc. Now with sidewalks being put in on our area there will be parked cars on the street as the driveways will have been shortened which now leads the ones that go on the road unsafe.

Please pass this on to the committee who are making the decisions about this construction.

Thank you for your time.

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