

Village of Forreton Sidewalk Policy

AUTHORITY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

All public streets, alleys, sidewalks and other public ways in the village shall be under the supervision of Superintendent of Public Works. He shall be charged with the enforcement of all the provisions of this policy and other policies and ordinances relating to such public places (except traffic ordinances) and is authorized to enforce such policies and ordinances.

SPECIFICATIONS

All street and sidewalk pavements shall be constructed in conformity with the current standards set forth by the village.

ANNUAL SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The Superintendent of Public Works will perform an annual inspection of all sidewalks within the Village and establish a replacement plan. Beginning in 2018, the fiscal year budget for 2018 and the succeeding 4 years will be fortified to perform this replacement plan. If that replacement plan is not completed within the 5 years the Village Board will evaluate the plan for extension.

SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT NOT COVERED IN THE REPLACEMENT PLAN

Any property owner desiring to replace their sidewalk not covered by the replacement plan can do so by filling out the sidewalk replacement permit. The owner requesting the sidewalk replacement will be required to do the finishing dirt work (Village will furnish the dirt) and pay for the concrete material.

MAINTENANCE REQUIRED; SUPERVISION OF REPAIRS

All public street, alley, and sidewalk pavements shall be kept in good repair. Such repair work, whether done by the city or by the abutting owner, shall be under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works

REMOVAL OF SNOW FROM SIDEWALKS

It is unlawful for any owner or lease of property abutting a public sidewalk within the area of the Village of Forreton to fail to remove snow within 24 hours after the accumulation of two or more inches.

SNOW OR ICE ON SIDEWALKS

No person shall pile, deposit or cause to be piled or deposited or allow any other entity with which it has contracted, to cause to be piled or deposited, any snow or ice upon or against a fire hydrant or upon any sidewalk or upon a public right of way. Further, no person shall pile or cause to be piled any snow so as to obstruct the vision of any intersection of any street, avenue, boulevard or alley within the Village.

APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK

Applicant _____ Address _____

Address of Sidewalk Repair _____ Lot _____, Block _____ Addition _____

Amount of square feet to be repaired _____

Contractor: _____ Certificate of Insurance or bond to be supplied to Village

Check one of the following options:

_____ I will hire a qualified contractor and upon completion and approval of the project by the Sup't of Public Works, will submit a copy of the billing in request of reimbursement from the Village of 1/2 of the cost of the concrete material.

_____ I am requesting the Village employees to complete the project according to specifications and I will pay upon completion of the project 1/2 of the cost of the concrete material.

I hereby agree that the sidewalk construction will be completed as per the specifications of the Forreston Village Code. (Specifications and Materials listed on this form)

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant

Condemned, Inspected and Approved by

_____ Date: _____

Sup't of Public Works

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Specifications and Materials

All sidewalks, unless otherwise provided by special ordinance, shall be constructed or repaired of Portland cement concrete in accordance with the following specifications.

- a. The cement shall be State approved Portland cement equal in quality thereto for concrete purposes.

- b. When necessary, the foundation shall be made solid by wetting or tamping. Soft and spongy places not affording a firm foundation shall be dug out and refilled with pea gravel or sand and thoroughly compacted by tamping. Where filling is necessary, fill shall consist of crushed rock, pea gravel or sand all free from vegetable matter (clay, loam, and stone is unacceptable) and shall be placed in layers of 6 inches or less, each layer being thoroughly compacted by tamping or wetting. The fill shall extend at least one foot on each side of the finished sidewalk, having a slope on either side of the walk of one and one-half horizontal to one vertical. Where curb exists, the fill shall slope uniformly from the outside edge of the sidewalk to the curb.**
- c. All tree roots likely to cause heaving or spreading of the walk shall be removed.**
- d. Control joints shall be no more than five feet in spacing and shall be twenty five percent of the depth of the concrete.**
- e. Concrete for the base of the sidewalk shall be six bag or stronger mix.**
- f. Two row or more, of three-eighths steel or rerod shall be placed within forms to prevent separation and upheaval. Wire mesh can also be used; both rerod and mesh must be held off of the base 2”.**
- g. Forms shall be of lumber or metal, free from fault or defect. All mortar and dirt shall be removed from forms previously used. The forms shall be well staked to the proper lines and grades and their upper edges shall conform to the finished surface.**
- h. The concrete shall be spread evenly and shall be at least four inches thick after thorough tamping. The surface shall then be floated and towed to a true and uniform surface, the final finish being made with a suitable brush. Grade shall not exceed 8%.**
- i. A glazed or slippery surface is prohibited. On grades exceeding five percent the surface shall be slightly roughened by means of a grooving tool, toothed roller, or other suitable tool.**
- j. Transverse joints one-half inch in width shall be placed at least every fifty lineal feet of walk and also where walk joins curbing and a crease every four feet added. Such joints shall extend through the entire depth, and shall be formed by inserting, during construction, and leaving in place, the required thickness of joint filler consisting of paving tar or asphalt bituminous felt or redwood.**

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- k. Minimum width of sidewalk shall be four feet or shall be equal to any adjoining existing sidewalk of more than a four foot width.**
- l. Cross fall of sidewalk shall be 2%-4% to provide drainage and to minimize a sliding hazard.**
- m. Driveway crossings shall be 6” in residential areas and 7” in commercial.**