

SIDEWALKS, ROADS & BRIDGES

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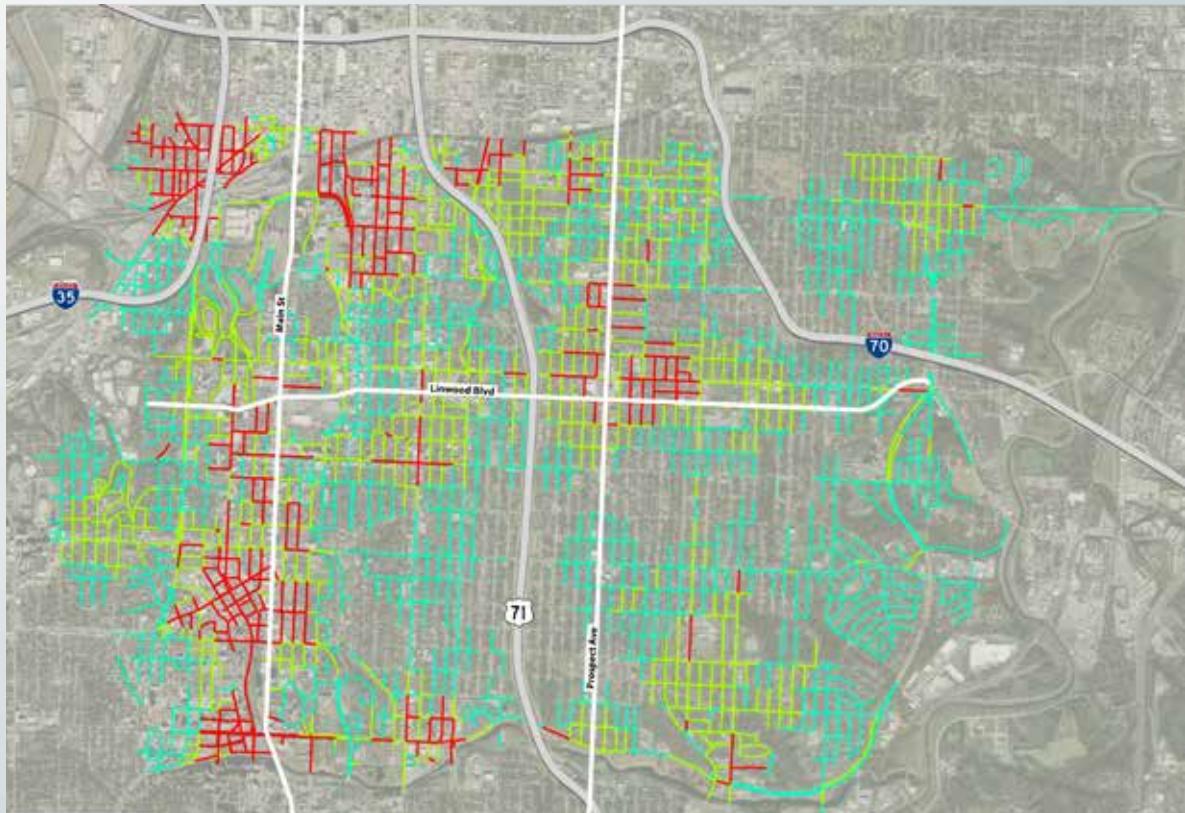
## S I D E W A L K P R O G R A M

# Zone #2

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

KCMO Public Works is conducting sidewalk design inspections as part the GO KC sidewalk program. Inspection areas include Zone 1 from north city limits to 20th Street, Zone 2 from 20th Street to 48th Street, and Zone 3 from 48th Street to the south city limits. Inspections focus on priority areas 1, 2, and 3.

Learn more about the program and Zone 2 (shown in the map below) by attending any of our scheduled public meetings. During them, you will be able to review exhibits that describe the GO KC sidewalk program and Zone 2. Representatives from the City and design team will be present to answer questions and discuss issues or concerns.



Map of Zone 2 - 20th Street to 48th Street



# Basic components of the GO KC sidewalk program

Question No. 1 on the April ballot called for approval of the issuance of \$600 million in bonds to repair streets, bridges and sidewalks. One of the major selling points for residents was the promise to create a city-funded sidewalk repair program that would eliminate homeowner assessments. To that end, some \$150 million is being dedicated to sidewalks.

- The bond passage allocated \$7.5 million each year for sidewalk repairs for 20 yrs. or until bond funds are exhausted.
- All sidewalks will be inspected on a 10 yr. cycle. Some bond funds will be used for field design/evaluation to accelerate the 10 yr. cycle.
- All pre-existing assessments not residing in the courts were forgiven.
- Curbs will be evaluated at the time of sidewalk inspection based on functionality.
- Public Works will continue to confer with Parks and Recreation to determine the health and condition of existing trees, and options will be considered before trees are removed.
- Citizens can still repair the sidewalk by obtaining a minor infrastructure permit from City Planning and Development (816-513-1500).
- Development and redevelopment related sidewalk requirements are not changed.
- Capital Projects undertaken by the City will include sidewalk construction/repair in the project costs.
- With the passage of the bond issuance, Council worked with and approved a Demand Analysis Matrix that identifies priority sidewalk inspections.

# FAQs

## What is the backlog of 311 sidewalk cases that is being addressed by the GO Bonds?

- The backlog list includes 311 cases on our citywide wait list up to January 1, 2017. This included (1,471) 311 case locations that Public Works received from 2008 to the end of 2016.
- 311 cases received on or after January 1, 2017 will be included in citywide inspections using the Sidewalk Demand Analysis. Therefore, 311 calls made after January 1, 2017 may not receive immediate inspection, but are assigned inspection based on prioritization identified in the Demand Analysis.
- The initial priority use of GO Bond funds is to address spot repair locations in the backlog. We anticipate completing the backlog repair in 2022.

## How is the backlog being addressed?

- The citywide wait list has been divided into four areas that align with the current inventory, demand analysis, and 311 requests: North of the Missouri River (232 locations), Missouri River to 39th Street (502 locations), 39th Street to 85th Street (653 locations), and 85th Street south (84 locations).
- View the sidewalk repair map to track our progress at [kcmo.gov/sidewalks](http://kcmo.gov/sidewalks).

## Can I still report my repairs to 311?

- The new inspection process will streamline identification of needed repairs and take the burden off of property owners. However, citizens can still report repair needs through 311. The requests will be noted by the sidewalk inspection group and included in the City's systematic citywide inspection process.

**Thus, a 311 request may not generate an immediate inspection or repair.**

# Citywide design inspections started summer 2019

## How will my sidewalk be repaired if it is not part of the 311 backlog?

### Systematic Sidewalk Repair Program:

- The program created priority lists for inspection based on a data-driven points system. These criteria were developed through meetings with Councilman Scott Wagner's sidewalk working group, other stakeholder groups and through research of other municipalities that implemented a similar process. The inspection plan assigned points based on proximity to locations and other household factors, was approved by City Council in August 2017.

### Systematic Inspection Prioritization Point System:

- Schools (8 points)
- Libraries (8 points)
- Community Centers (8 points)
- Hospitals and Safety Net Providers (8 points)
- Median Household Income (3, 5, 8 points)
- Transit Stops (3, 5, 8 points)
- Parks (5 points)
- Grocery Stores/Markets (5 points)
- Arterial Streets (5 points)
- Vehicle Access (3, 4, 5 points)
- Population Density (1-5 points)
- Employment Density (1-3 points)
- Transportation Terminals (1 point)

You can view a map of this prioritization data and backlog spot repair locations at [kcmo.gov/sidewalks](http://kcmo.gov/sidewalks)

## What if there are no sidewalks in front of my property?

- If considered a priority area where sidewalks do not currently exist, projects could be funded at 50% with a 50% match from other funds such as: PIAC, adjacent property owners, grants, other government funding districts as approved by council. New sidewalks in newly developed areas will continue to be required under the City's development code. The new sidewalk program will not impact that requirement.

Design inspections started in summer 2019 to inventory existing sidewalk conditions across the entire city. These design inspections are conducted based on the Sidewalk Demand Analysis and prioritization point system, starting with priority areas 1, 2, and 3.

After inspections are collected for all five priority areas, this condition data will inform sidewalk repair in the future once the backlog of sidewalk repair is completed—anticipated in 2022.



# Learn More

## SIDEWALKS & TREES

Tree roots routinely damage sidewalks, while sidewalks can inhibit tree health and growth. To ensure that trees and integrity of sidewalks are protected, the KCMO Public Works Department works closely with the City Forester in the Parks and Recreation Department. The condition of the trees and mitigation options are carefully considered before any repairs are begun. Additionally, Parks and Recreation has implemented a tree-replanting program, where two new trees are planted for every tree removed in the city right of way. It's a great way to keep our sidewalks safe and usable, while enhancing the environment for all to enjoy.



## PUBLIC MEETINGS

Because it is important for everyone to understand the GO KC sidewalk program, KCMO Public Works is providing several ways to get information about it. Attend any of our scheduled public meetings to learn more. The same presentation will be given at each meeting.

### Mon., Aug. 26, 2019

5:30 - 7 p.m. (presentation at 6 p.m.)

Kansas City Public Library -  
Lucile H. Bluford Branch  
Conference Room  
3050 Prospect Avenue  
Kansas City, MO 64128

### Weds., Sept. 4, 2019

5:30 - 7 p.m. (presentation at 6 p.m.)

Gregg/Klice Community Center  
Large Meeting Room  
1600 John Buick O'Neil Way  
Kansas City, MO 64108

### Mon., Sept. 9, 2019

5:30 - 7 p.m. (presentation at 6 p.m.)

Brush Creek Community Center  
Large Meeting Room  
3801 Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard  
Kansas City, MO 64130



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