

CITY OF ALPENA

CITY COUNCIL POLICY STATEMENT

General Subject:	Sidewalks	Policy No.	<u>3</u>
Specific Subject:	Policy for Financing Sidewalk Construction	Date Issued:	<u>April 7, 1986</u>
		Effective Date:	<u>April 8, 1986</u>
		Amended Date:	<u>December 17, 2001</u>
		Amended Date:	<u>October 2, 2006</u>

Copies to: City Council, City Manager, City Attorney, Department Heads, File

PURPOSE: To provide for a fair method for property owners to pay for sidewalk construction.

Cost:

Property Owners will pay for sidewalk construction on a square-foot basis. The charge per square foot shall be set annually by the Municipal Council. The Municipal Council shall annually establish the charge for replacement of sidewalk by the City's sidewalk contractor.

Maximum bill for a homeowner's principal residence shall be no greater than a standard City lot without sidewalk (66' x 140'), and shall not exceed 5% of the property's assessed value being 2.5% of the true cash value. "Assessed Value" shall be the current amount at time of sign-up.

Method of Payment:

- (1) If the cost to the Property Owner is \$300 or less, the Property Owner shall pay the entire amount within 90 days of the billing date. If not paid within 90 days, the City shall charge an interest penalty of one-half of one percent per month until paid.
- (2) If the cost to the Property Owner exceeds \$300, the Property Owner shall choose one of the following payment options:
 - a. The Property Owner may pay the entire amount within 90 days of the billing date.
 - b. Upon request, the Property Owner may have the billing spread over ten years as follows: The Property Owner shall pay one-tenth of the amount within 90 days of the billing date. The following nine years the Property Owner will be billed for one-tenth of the amount each year plus six percent interest on the unpaid balance.

Nonpayment for Sidewalk Installation:

If a sidewalk payment is delinquent for a period of 90 days, then such cost shall be charged against the involved premises and shall become a lien in the same manner as the regular real property taxes applied to that real estate until said costs are paid in full.