

Memorandum

REPORT TO: City Commission

FROM: Kellen Gamradt, Engineer II
Nicholas Ross, Director of Transportation and Engineering

SUBJECT: Conduct a Public Hearing and Having Considered Public Testimony, Move to Approve a Commission Resolution to Order the Installation of Sidewalks in Portions of Valley West Subdivision, Phase 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D and in Portions The Lakes at Valley West Subdivision, Phase 3

MEETING DATE: July 15, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Resolution

RECOMMENDATION: **Consider the Motion:** *Having conducted a public hearing and considered written and spoken public testimony, I hereby move to approve the Commission Resolution to Order the Installation of Sidewalks in Portions of Valley West Subdivision, Phase 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D and in Portions The Lakes at Valley West Subdivision, Phase 3.*

STRATEGIC PLAN: 3.1 Public Safety: Support high quality public safety programs, emergency preparedness, facilities, and leadership.

BACKGROUND: The City has received calls from the Home Owners Associations of the above-mentioned Subdivisions requesting that the city take the necessary actions to complete the installation of missing sections of sidewalk along streets in these neighborhoods. Bozeman Municipal Code section 34.04.50 and the Montana Code Annotated Chapter 7-14-4109 allows the city commission to order the installation of sidewalks through resolution and without formation of a special improvements district. In addition, a note on the recorded plats for each of these subdivisions state that property owners shall construct sidewalks for their lots upon the third anniversary of the recordation of the plat. More than three years has passed since these plats have been recorded. The attached resolution of intent and notice to residents will start the required sidewalk installation process.

In Valley West Subdivision – Phase 3A, 3B, 3C and 3D: five lots currently do not have sidewalks. In the Lakes at Valley West Subdivision Phase 3: one lot currently does not have sidewalk. On June 10th a Resolution of Intent was passed by the City Commission, indicating that it is the City’s intention to order the installation of sidewalks along certain streets as specified in the resolution, and to authorize that notice is given to affected property owners. The attached commission resolution will order that these sidewalk be installed as specified in the Resolution.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None

ALTERNATIVES: As Suggested by the Commission.

FISCAL EFFECTS: The engineer's estimate for the cost of sidewalk installation is \$20 per square foot. The total area of sidewalk to be installed is 3,380 square feet. The total cost of the work is estimated at \$67,600.

The cost of sidewalk installations would be borne by the adjoining property owners. If sidewalk installations need to be completed by a city contractor, staff time will be needed for contract administration and subsequent billing activities.

Attachments:

[Resolution of Creation - Sidewalk Installation.docx](#)

[Resolution 2025-23 signed.pdf](#)

Report compiled on: June 10, 2025