

CITY OF RICHFIELD

Sidewalk Standards Policy August 2016

Sidewalk placement is based on street classifications. Sidewalks requested or approved by City Council will meet the sidewalk standards outlined below.

Street Classifications

- Minor Arterial
 - Sidewalks should be provided on both sides of minor arterial streets.
- Collector
 - A sidewalk should be provided on only one side of collector streets.
- School Route
 - A sidewalk may be provided on one side of roadways on major school routes.
- Local Residential
 - Sidewalks are not provided on residential streets.
 - Most residential streets are 36 feet wide from back of curb to back of curb within a 60-foot right of way. This provides adequate width for two lanes of vehicular traffic, parking on both sides, and for pedestrians to walk on the streets.

Sidewalk Standards

The minimum width for sidewalks should be six (6) feet to accommodate the operation of city sidewalk plows.

The following sidewalk layout options work within a twelve (12) foot right-of-way area:

1. Six (6) foot green space behind curb, six (6) foot sidewalk, zero (0) foot green space between private property. (Collector and Local Residential)
2. Zero (0) foot setback behind curb, 10 foot sidewalk with two (2) foot green space. (Minor Arterial)

Both of these choices offer an acceptable ease of maintenance and snow storage. The minimum green space in order for trees to grow is six (6) feet. City Staff maintains all sidewalks on public right of way.