

Page: Cherrywood Sidewalk Plan Survey

1. Opinions about the Cherrywood Neighborhood Association's philosophy about sidewalks cover quite a continuum. As a resident of Cherrywood, please choose one answer that best fits your preference about sidewalks in Cherrywood:

	Response Percent	Response Count
no sidewalks on any streets at all, including perimeter streets <input type="checkbox"/>	2.4%	3
same, except that they should only be on the true "perimeter" corridors (for Cherrywood, this would be IH35, Airport and Manor Road), <input type="checkbox"/>	4.0%	5
same, except that they should also be on our internal "commercial corridor" (E38th½, west of Cherrywood Road), <input type="checkbox"/>	6.5%	8
same, except that they should also be on E38th½, from IH35 all the way to Airport (both sides), and Cherrywood Road (west side only, Manor Road to E38½), <input type="checkbox"/>	14.5%	18
same, except that they should also be on some internal streets in order to allow no property to be more than a few blocks from a sidewalk on one side of the street, connecting to major destinations at the perimeter); this is the philosophy that appeared to the drafters of the proposed plan to have evolved over the years, and which the proposed sidewalk plan represents, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	41.1%	51
same, except that they should also be on both sides of a few internal streets, and on one side of some not currently shown on the proposed sidewalk plan, <input type="checkbox"/>	5.6%	7
sidewalks on at least one side of all <input type="checkbox"/>	15.3%	19

streets	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.5%	13
sidewalks on both sides of all streets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.5%	13
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2. Do you have any additional comments/suggestions you would like to share with the Cherrywood Neighborhood Association Steering Committee? (optional)

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1. Recently moved back into the 'hood, and adamantly oppose a sidewalk on my (north) side of 40th St., facing Willowbrook Reach, due to the slope that would have to be cut away, necessitating a retaining wall in those front yards, to accommodate a sidewalk. I am simply grateful you are taking so much time and energy to poll everyone and give us the opportunity for input, in addition to all the work, and meetings, involved in this issue over the years. Thanks again.

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2. I found the descriptions to be very confusing. I am fine with the plan as is EXCEPT that I beleive there needs to be a sidewalk on both sides of E. 38 1/2 from IH35 to Airport.

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3. I walk in our neighborhood all the time, so I'm looking forward to a safer experience!!

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4. I think keeping sidewalks to a minimum allows us to keep our landscaping, and walking dogs/joggers/bikers/pedestrians in streets keeps traffic slower, keeps a small-town feel. I prefer walking in the street to artificial sidewalks. I would hate to see sidewalks on my street (Walnut).

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5. If the neighborhood does opt for sidewalks, make sure they are accessible to all. For example, walk down (or roll down) Cherrywood between 38 1/2 and Manor and see how almost impossible it would be to roll down if in a wheel chair. Even take a look a Cherrywood Green and notice the pole sitting in the middle of the side walk by the cut-out.

Wed, Jan 13, 2010 11:00 AM

6. Please consider the detrimental effects of the additional impervious cover if every street suddenly had sidewalks, especially sidewalks on

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both sides. Please also consider the wishes of the landowners on a particular street before insisting that sidewalks be installed - I think the wishes of the landowners should trump the wishes of casual strollers in the neighborhood. I am not opposed to sidewalks along the commercial corridors, and would be glad to have space to walk along Clarkson, on the railroad side, to Fiesta/38 1/2 Street.

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| 7. Please make this work! We need this! | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 1:57 PM |
| 8. I am in favor of sidewalks on the east side of Cherrywood, in addition to the internal neighborhood sidewalks outlined by the plan. | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 1:15 PM |
| 9. I think it makes sense to add more sidewalks to the neighborhood - let's also consider bike lanes and general pedestrian, cyclist, and alternative transportation friendly improvements. At this point it seems silly to add sidewalks to every side of every street, but it would be nice to have most major routes and significant streets with sidewalks. It'd be really nice to get a sidewalk on the east side of Cherrywood, especially around the bus stops! Thanks! | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 12:07 PM |
| 10. thanks for collecting opinions via this survey!
Jennifer Potter-Miller | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 11:26 AM |
| 11. i think the couple of blocks comment may need some additional clarification. xx yds/ ## of blocks in order to provide additional detail. | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 11:03 AM |
| 12. I don't mean to be antagonistic, but I think safety is much more important than landscaping. If speeding cars were such a hazard in our hood that we went ahead with the "road humps," then why am I expected to push my child's stroller on those same streets? Right now when I go for walks I have to be constantly alert for traffic. Sidewalks (or walkable yards -- might be a good compromise) would make me feel much safer when strolling around the hood. | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 10:25 AM |
| 13. sidewalks help promote more communications with our neighbors and are usually a good thing unless you've built a flowerbed on the land the sidewalk will be on .. | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 9:58 AM |
| 14. My opinion is that having foot traffic in the streets slows down vehicular traffic which I consider a good thing. It also keeps from claiming space from residents front yards as has been discussed on the neighbornet.

- Travis Power | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 9:32 AM |
| 15. I do not believe most of the internal streets need sidewalks. I wish our efforts would instead be focused on true safety concerns, such as the ridiculously dangerous corner of Lafayette and Dean Keeton and Lafayette and 38 1/2. That seems to be a much more pressing need than worrying about a sidewalk plan when it does not appear that such a plan is immediately necessary. | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 9:20 AM |
| 16. It would be great to have sidewalks on one side (only) of all streets. We want a sidewalk only on the WEST side of Cherrywood Road. Thanks! | Mon, Jan 11, 2010 8:44 AM |

17. I think it is ridiculous for the sidewalk plan to be hi-jacked by someone who doesn't want a sidewalk placed on part of "his" property that does not belong to him. I have telephone boxes and electrical boxes in my R.O.W.- I don't love them- I would LOVE to have a sidewalk there instead. I hope that this debate will force neighbors who have NEVER been involved to step up and contribute. Otherwise whining from the NN can stay just that-whining, and let the people that have been involved all along continue with the good work that they have been doing. I think it is ridiculous that any back tracking is having to be done- for someone that doesn't want a sidewalk, its ridiculous.

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18. Trees should be saved

Sun, Jan 10, 2010 7:33 PM

19. I had previously sent an email to the chair with no response received. I am unable to attend our neighborhood meetings due to business travel conflicts and strongly oppose sidewalks on the internal network of our streets.

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20. I fully support sidewalks. Especially on E. 34th street. Hopefully these will happen in a timely manner at no additional cost to the taxpayers and without an increase to property taxes.

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21. As a Mueller resident who navigates the streets around Maplewood Elementary, I am unnerved every time I must navigate Maplewood and adjoining streets. I would love to have my son walk/bike to school eventually; however, there are no safe routes at this time.

Sat, Jan 9, 2010 11:59 AM

22. I don't have a clue if my answer represents my philosophy. So, here it is:

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- + We need sidewalks on one side (throughout the neighborhood, not two sides) along 38 1/2 from 35 to Airport
- + Along Cherrywood from Manor to Scheifer
- +(Preferable) From Airport to I-35 along Schifer, then Wilshire (but I know that is a fight)
- +Along Wrightwood from Wilshire (fantasy) or at least Kirkwood (cul de sac) along Ashwood to the existing sidewalk at Maplewood school boundary.
- +From 38 1/2 along Maplewood to Wilshire.

I think a sidewalk along Lafayette would be great too and perhaps along Edgewood/34th, but I don't live over there, so not as familiar with needs.

I also want safe connections to Mueller from my home and I want the existing sidewalks to be made wheelchair accessible, like the one in front of Maplewood Elementary at Ashwood and Maplewood Ave and where it dead ends on Ashwood.

I know the duplex nation voice is small as most folks are renters, but the safety of all Cherrywood residents are at risk walking or riding to Maplewood Elementary school. The on street parking is a HUGE hazard in this neighborhood to anyone trying to walk, especially during school hours pick up and drop off hours. The walking in the street is a hazard for

drivers too.

So I think that my answer on the previous question matches this, but if it didn't, now you know my thoughts.

THanks for all your efforts and I'm sorry I couldn't be present at the meeting.

That path would connect the school with Wilshire Wood and all parts of our neighborhood.

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| 23. | Thank you for your work on this! | Fri, Jan 8, 2010 8:07 PM |
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| 24. | I live on 38 1/2 street and strongly recommend safe side walks on both sides of the streets around the perimeter of Maplewood Elementary. | Fri, Jan 8, 2010 12:19 PM |
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| 25. | I feel that adding sidewalks will greatly enhance the safety of our neighborhood for pedestrians, disabled folks and parents walking kids in strollers. In implementing our plan, I hope we will try to be flexible so as to go around large trees, for example, and/or work with homeowners to make the sidewalks fit into existing terrain as naturally as possible. | Thu, Jan 7, 2010 12:24 PM |
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| 26. | I believe we first need to worry about gaps along Manor, 38th 1/2, IH-35, and Airport (as well as the overall disrepair of sections of those corridors which do have sidewalks). This would have the greatest impact on wheelchair accessibility -- far more than a sidewalk on Lafayette. In addition, real, usable sidewalks on commercial corridors would allow non-Cherrywood-resident (thru-traffic) pedestrians a viable alternative to cutting through the neighborhood. Once I see progress toward repairing/completing the sidewalks of the major streets, I would be willing to consider the possibility that sidewalks within our Neighborhood would be properly built and maintained. | Thu, Jan 7, 2010 9:54 AM |
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| 27. | save the trees please | Wed, Jan 6, 2010 5:10 PM |
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| 28. | If the city's default is to put sidewalks on both sides of streets being rebuilt, then compromise is obviously in everyone's best interest. | Wed, Jan 6, 2010 3:39 PM |
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| 29. | I definitely support a sidewalk on Maplewood Ave, preferably on the west side (this would go through my own property), provided that the sidewalk is well-engineered, specifically for the property owners between Kirkwood and Ashwood, where there is significant sloping. Also, if the sidewalk could be placed up against the curb, and if curb cuts for driveways would be included, that would be ideal. | Wed, Jan 6, 2010 3:35 PM |
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| 30. | Thank you for all of the effort on this project. | Wed, Jan 6, 2010 12:16 PM |
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| 31. | It would be useful to discuss implementation alternatives with the City such as removing one lane of parking to accommodate sidewalks, adding traffic islands, etc. | Wed, Jan 6, 2010 11:18 AM |
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As well I'd be interested to hear the CoA's plans for adequate sidewalks in places where our new sidewalks will connect - streets like Airport, Manor, MLK, etc are lacking sidewalks, lacking curb cuts, have huge

poles and street signs in the middle of existing sidewalks, and are too narrow or too close to traffic for ADA compliance. What is the timeframe for improvements to pedestrian access on these arterials?

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- 32.** i think you are doing a gret job Tue, Jan 5, 2010 7:33 PM
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- 33.** I love the idea of sidewalks Tue, Jan 5, 2010 6:01 PM
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- 34.** Our neighborhood has survived over eighty years without sidewalks. I own a house on a small lot on Lafayette; if sidewalks are installed, my front porch would be roughly twelve feet from the sidewalk. That is unacceptable and I may consider legal action against the city. Tue, Jan 5, 2010 2:17 PM
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- 35.** The less concrete, the better. Tue, Jan 5, 2010 10:01 AM
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- 36.** I appreciate all the hard work the committee is doing. I think sidewalks are a good thing, and had no idea they could be so controversial. Thank you! Tue, Jan 5, 2010 8:50 AM
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- 37.** I am in that camp of people who would prefer to walk on sidewalks, not in the street, whenever possible! I have a small child. Tue, Jan 5, 2010 8:49 AM
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- 38.** I, for one, would very much like to get a sidewalk on the East side (next to the RR tracks) of Clarkson Ave between 38 1/2 and Cherrywood. This would not affect anyone's property and is much needed -- that part of Clarkson is somewhat of a thoroughfare (and could also use any traffic calming help it could get!). Tue, Jan 5, 2010 8:34 AM
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- 39.** I would like to get involved with the neighborhood association, please let me know how I can help. Mon, Jan 4, 2010 11:52 PM
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- 40.** Our streets were not designed for sidewalks! Have any studies been done regarding the habits of drivers on streets with sidewalks vs streets without? Mon, Jan 4, 2010 8:50 PM
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- 41.** Where sidewalks cross residential lots, they should be adjacent to the curb (as opposed to a swatch of grass between the sidewalk and the curb, which forces homeowners to maintain three edges rather than one and takes away more of front yards) Mon, Jan 4, 2010 2:01 PM
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- 42.** Sidewalks only on main streets and not on any of the green belts, parks or side streets. Mon, Jan 4, 2010 12:33 PM
- More concrete increases run off and the urban heat effect.
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- 43.** The current plan seems to embrace the idea of putting sidewalks on streets that have higher car traffic. The logic appears to be that it is safer to have sidewalks where there are cars. But there's another way to think about it: sidewalks invite more pedestrians onto high traffic streets. There's an alternate approach that separates foot traffic from vehicles by putting sidewalks on low traffic streets. I am personally undecided about which is more appropriate in our context, but I wanted to put it out there for consideration. Mon, Jan 4, 2010 12:03 PM
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- 44.** This is a great idea, my thanks to the Neighborhood Association for Mon, Jan 4, 2010 10:39 AM

providing this useful opporunity.

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| 45. | Thanks for putting together this survey and the new meetings. | Sat, Jan 2, 2010 1:47 PM |
| 46. | There are persons in our community who have studied this issue for many years. Just because some new persons or uninformed persons want to have some input, they need to get involved in the process and stop wasting everyone's time! | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 11:55 PM |
| 47. | Having sidewalks on 32nd St. Between Walnut and Cherrywood would allow easy access to 2 bus stop; one on Manor, and one on Cherrywood. | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 5:39 PM |
| 48. | Sidewalks should be on at least one side of all streets, and both sides of arterial roads -- but if that is not possible, sidewalks should definitely be on both sides of arterials. | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 3:29 PM |
| 49. | Sidewalks mean civilization | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 2:13 PM |
| 50. | I believe that the sidewalk that was shown in the draft plan for E. 32nd Street would be better placed on the South side of the street from I-35 to Walnut. There are fewer obstructions/trees on the South side of 32nd Street. | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 1:54 PM |
| 51. | While a sidewalk in front of my house would result in a sizeable chunk taken out of my yard and certainly a retaining wall, I feel it's important to have sidewalks throughout the neighborhood, especially for children. I find the push against them rather baffling. | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 1:50 PM |
| 52. | Remember..."safe walkable STREETS" | Thu, Dec 31, 2009 11:50 AM |
| 53. | Make repairing the sidewalks we have and filling in the gaps in the ones on Manor and 38th½ the highest priority | Wed, Dec 30, 2009 12:30 PM |

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