2017 West Central Neighborhood Association Sidewalk/Curb Program Guidelines (Sidewalks/Curbs to be installed in 2018)

The WCNA will reimburse up to ½ of the property owner's portion of the cost of sidewalk/curb improvements performed by the City of Fort Wayne, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$1,000 per property.

- The City pays 50% of the total cost, and the WCNA will reimburse ½ of the remaining 50% due from the property owner. That is, the WCNA will reimburse 25% of the total cost, and the net cost to the property owner will be the remaining 25% of the total cost.
- Example 1: A property owner has the City replace the entire sidewalk in front of her home, which is 60 lineal feet. If the property owner's 50% share of the cost is \$16.20 per lineal foot, then the property owner would pay 60 x \$16.20 = \$972. Under this program, the WCNA will pay ½ of \$972, which is ½ x \$972 = \$486, and the net cost to the property owner is \$972 \$486 = \$486.
- Example 2: A property owner has a sidewalk that is in good repair, except for a 15 foot section that needs replacement. If the property owner's 50% share of the cost is \$12.60 per lineal foot, then the property owner would pay 15 x \$12.60 = \$189. Under this program, the WCNA will pay ½ of \$189, which is ½ x \$189 = \$94.50. The net cost to the property owner is \$189 \$94.50 = \$94.50.
- Example 3: A property owner has a 50 foot section of curb replaced. If the property owner's 50% share of the cost is \$17.50 per lineal foot, then the property owner would pay 50 x \$17.50 = \$875. Under this program the WCNA will pay ½ of \$875, which is ½ x \$875 = \$437.50. The net cost to the property owner is \$875 \$437.50 = \$437.50.

Applications to the WCNA are due by September 25, 2017. Work will be performed by the City in 2018.

This program is available for residential properties of WCNA members only.

Reimbursement will be paid after the work is completed, and the work must be completed by December 31, 2018. Reimbursements may be paid directly to the property owner or to the City, at the discretion of the WCNA. Reimbursement payments will not be made after December 31, 2018.

The budget for this program is \$10,000. If the applications for funds exceed \$10,000, then the WCNA:

- May prioritize funding based on the value to the neighborhood of having specific sidewalks/curbs improved, and
- May offer the applicants a reimbursement of less than ½ of the property owner's portion of the costs.

The WCNA reserves the right to deny an application if the proposed sidewalk/curb project does not enhance the appearance, character, and usability of the neighborhood.

The steps to participating in this program are envisioned as follows. For more information about the City's procedures, please contact the City at 427-1112.

- The property owner fills out a petition for improvements to the property owner's sidewalks and/or curbs. The petition form can be found at https://www.cityoffortwayne.org/publicworks/3627-cost-sharing-programs.html. The property owner submits this petition to the City by September 25, 2017. [Note: Filling out and signing the petition for a single address does <u>not</u> obligate the property owner to have the work performed. The property owner is not obligated until signing a waiver as described in steps 4 and 6 below. For more information, contact the City at 427-1112.]
- 2. The property owner fills out a 2017 WCNA Application for WCNA Sidewalk/Curb Reimbursement and submits it, along with a copy of the petition, to the WCNA by September 25, 2017. The application can be found under PROGRAMS at http://www.westcentralneighborhood.org/.
- 3. The City evaluates the petition and the property to determine whether the City will perform the work and pay 50% of the cost. This evaluation should be complete by December 31, 2017.
- 4. During the first half of 2018, the City sends a waiver to the property owner informing the property owner of the cost to have the work performed. The property owner can then choose whether or not to have the work performed.
- 5. The property owner provides a copy of the waiver to the WCNA. The WCNA informs the property owner of the amount of reimbursement available to the property owner.
- 6. If the property owner wishes to have the work performed, then the property owner signs the waiver and returns it to the City.
- 7. The work is performed in the fall of 2018. After the work is completed, the WCNA pays the reimbursement to either the property owner or the City.

Questions about the WCNA's sidewalk/curb program? Please call 385-WEST (385-9378) or send an email to Info@WestCentralNeighborhood.org.

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