

## RESOLUTION NO. 2011-012

### **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT / CONNECTION PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF PAOLA, KANSAS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City of Paola recognizes the importance of encouraging a pedestrian friendly environment for the health, safety, and general quality of life for its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City of Paola desires to promote the installation and good repair of sidewalks throughout the City, especially in residential areas; and

**WHEREAS**, Kansas Statutes 12-1801 through 12-1816 provide guidance for the construction and maintenance of sidewalks within the City of Paola; and

**WHEREAS**, Kansas Statute 12-1808 states that “It shall be the duty of the abutting property owner to keep the sidewalk in repair...”, and

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide assistance to property owners to install new sidewalks to connect to existing sidewalks and to replace existing sidewalks in disrepair;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Governing Body of the City of Paola hereby adopts the following policy for improving and connecting residential sidewalks:

#### **Residential Sidewalk Improvement / Connection Program**

The City of Paola has a 50/50 cost-share program to assist the City residential property owners in replacing old and/or damaged sidewalks as well as new connecting sidewalks.

- Property owner may perform the work under the inspection of the City or the City will hire a contractor. All new sidewalks must be constructed of concrete and to current City sidewalk standards and are subject to preliminary, pre-pour, and final inspections. Property owners located on a corner will need to meet City established elevations in order to ensure ADA compliance for a curb ramp. Truncated domes will be installed by the City of Paola.
- The program ends when the City’s program budget has been expended or allocated; therefore this is a first come first serve program and residents are encouraged to contact the Public Works Department as soon as possible.
- The program will work as follows:
  - If the resident chooses to install the sidewalk themselves, a total project cost will be agreed upon prior to issuing the notice to proceed.
  - If the resident chooses to allow the City to hire a contractor, the total project bid amount must also be agreed upon prior to issuing the notice to proceed.
- Applications are available at the Paola Public Works Facility, located at 29370 Old K.C. Road, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the City of Paola, Kansas, does hereby adopt the aforementioned Residential Sidewalk Improvement / Connection Program as an Official Policy of the City.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 11th day of October, 2011.

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Artie Stuteville, Mayor

Attest: [seal]

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Daniel G. Droste, City Clerk