

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** City of Seguin Mayor and Council Members  
Douglas Faseler, City Manager

**From:** Pamela Centeno, Director of Planning & Codes

**Through:** Rick Cortes, Assistant City Manager

**Subject:** **Amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC)  
Section 5.4 - Sidewalks**

**Date:** July 11, 2018

The original sidewalk ordinance was adopted in July 2011 in order to address sidewalk requirements for development in Seguin. The intent of the requirements is to create accessible sidewalk networks in Seguin that improve pedestrian access and create complete streets with opportunities for safer pedestrian and automobile traffic. The City of Seguin adopted a new ordinance in 2014 in conjunction with the Unified Development Code. In the years following the 2014 ordinance, staff has received various inquiries for clarifications on the specific requirements for sidewalks. In order to clarify the requirements for sidewalk construction and to improve the language originally drafted in 2014, City staff is proposing amendments to Section 5.4 of the UDC. The proposed amendments will further clarify when and where sidewalk construction is required within new and existing developments. Amendments are recommended for the following areas:

- Sidewalk construction on existing streets;
- The timing of construction of perimeter sidewalks;
- The required width of sidewalks abutting the curb; and
- Sidewalk requirements for in-fill residential lots in subdivisions created prior to the adoption of the 2011 sidewalk ordinance.

Following a presentation and public hearing at the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting on July 10, 2018 the Commission recommended approval of the amendments presented by staff. Attached please find a copy of the Final Report of the Commission and a copy of the ordinance with the proposed amendments.