



Part I: Code Amendments at a Glance – Street Construction and Private Construction (Chapter 13.68):

A. What is it?

This chapter is outside of the Unified Development Code and implemented by the city’s Public Works Department. Title 13 addresses street and sidewalk standards throughout the city. The amendments to this chapter add sidewalk priority areas, add frontage improvement requirements for development creating 3 dwelling units or more, amend the review authority for modification of standards and removes references to LID covenants.

B. Type of revision proposed:

- Minor revision to an existing chapter
- Major rewrite of existing chapter
- New chapter

C. Key changes from existing code:

1. Many streets within the city lack public sidewalks. There are limited funds to build sidewalks to increase pedestrian safety. The amendments add a priority for sidewalk improvements near public schools, public parks and frequent transit routes. Within these areas, any development that results in construction of one or more residential dwellings is required to provide a sidewalk or safe walking path meeting city standards.
2. Frontage improvement requirements are added for any development creating three or more dwelling units; the current frontage improvement requirements are tied to land divisions.
3. The current chapter requires any exception to the standards to be reviewed by the hearing examiner, and hearing examiner decisions are appealable to city council. The changes amend the process to allow administrative decisions of modification requests, with appeals to the hearing examiner.
4. References to Local Improvement District (“LID”) covenants are removed. The city no longer uses that process.