

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202102258  
From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager  
Subject: EMERGENCY LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS – 2021  
SIDEWALK SAFETY PROGRAM – MT. WASHINGTON, RAINBOW SUBDIVISION

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Attached is an emergency legislative resolution captioned as follows:

DECLARING the necessity of repairs to certain sidewalks, associated sidewalk spaces, curbs, and gutters in the Mount Washington neighborhood, and the necessity of assessing abutting properties to recover the cost of such repairs in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 729 and Cincinnati Municipal Code Chapter 721.

This resolution will declare the necessity of special assessments upon certain property bounding and abutting streets within the City of Cincinnati, in Mt. Washington, Rainbow Subdivision, as noted in Attachment I, Exhibit A, for the purpose of paying the cost and expense of repairing, reconstructing, and constructing concrete sidewalks, driveways, and curbs consistent with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 729 and Cincinnati Municipal Code Requirements.

The property owners are being notified of the need for repairs and have the option to have the work completed by private contractors. Repairs not made by the property owners, according to City requirements, will be completed by the City. The owners of these properties will be billed the cost of the repairs. Costs which are not paid by the owners within thirty days will then be assessed in accordance with Ohio Revised Code requirements.

Ultimately, unpaid assessments will be certified to the County Auditor for collection by the County Treasurer in the same manner as real estate taxes.

The request for emergency passage is necessary to allow administration to proceed immediately with notifying property owners to provide ample time needed for notification process, establishing a deadline to allow property owners to hire their own private contractor, if they chose to, and schedule remaining repairs for city contractor to be completed before the end of the construction season.

The Administration recommends passage of the attached emergency legislative resolution.

Attachment I – Exhibit A

cc: John S. Brazina, Director, Transportation and Engineering