

Sidewalk Repair Program – **Markings** FAQ

Q: Why are there paint marks on the sidewalk?

A: The white paint marks were made by our inspectors to identify unsafe or defective pavement in need of repair or replacement in the sidewalk repair program area.

- An “**X**”, with no other markings, indicates a sidewalk or pavement section scheduled for replacement and assessed at the standard replacement rate.
- A “**T**” marked under the “**X**” indicates a sidewalk or driveway section scheduled for replacement where inspectors have determined that the cause of the defective section is due to the roots of a city tree. The assessment for these areas is reduced by 33% to account for damage caused by trees.
- A “**C**” (i.e., “City Charge”) marked under an “**X**” indicates sidewalk to be replaced but *not* assessed to the abutting property. An example would be at the corner of a street intersection.
- The letters “**R.O.**” (i.e., “Remove Only”) indicates sidewalk which is to be permanently removed and replaced with grass. Work marked “**R.O.**” is typically *not* assessed to the abutting property.
- The white letters “**SAW**” indicates a line where sidewalk or other pavement is to be sawed.

Q: What are the red crayon marks on the sidewalk?

A: Our inspectors use red crayon marks to:

- Identify existing defects that do not require repair or replacement.
- Write notes or instructions for our contractor to follow.

Q: What are the yellow crayon marks on the decorative brick pavers?

A: Our inspectors use yellow crayon marks on decorative brick pavers to identify sections of pavers that are unsafe or defective.

Q: Why was a section of my private house walk, steps, or driveway marked for replacement?

A: All pedestrian routes within the right-of-way are evaluated for defects. If a driveway is the obvious pedestrian route to a house, we will correct driveway defects within the right-of-way. The right-of-way line varies from street to street and is typically 2 ft. *behind* the back edge of our sidewalk.

Q: I still have questions. Who can help me?

A: For more information about the Sidewalk Repair Program, please contact:

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