



City Administrator's Report

December 15, 2022

Sales Tax on Marijuana

Staff continues to work with other communities and legal counsel to develop an ordinance taking to the voters a ballot question approving an additional sales tax on the retail sale of adult-use. In order to be consistent in language and potential messaging, staff recommends ballot language be adopted in January. Draft language will be provided to the Board in advance of a meeting.

Sidewalk Replacement Program

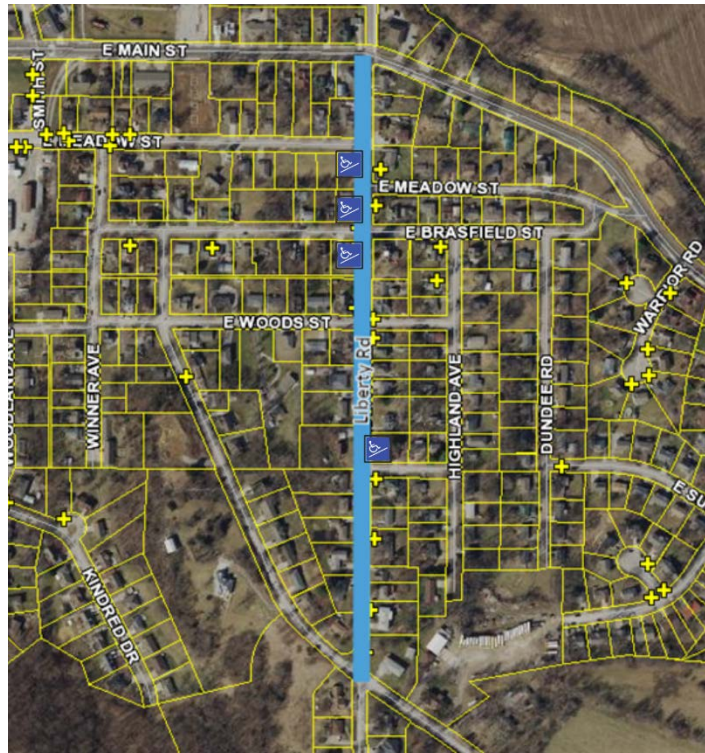
In the fall, staff inspected sidewalks across the City and identified those with hazardous conditions. These areas were input into the GIS system, including a brief description and pictures. Last week, staff reviewed all areas and identified those with a higher priority based primarily on available funds.

The FY23 budget includes \$25,000 for the Sidewalk Replacement Program. Based on Board recommendations during the retreat, the budget for FY24 and FY25 will include an additional \$50,000 totaling \$75,000 each year for the program. In addition to the FY23 Sidewalk Replacement Program, the City has budgeted monies for other projects that include sidewalk improvements for this fiscal year. These include the Streetscape Phase III project and Quincy Avenue and Pine Street projects.

In the new sidewalk program, property owners will have a 50/50 cost share with the City for sidewalk repairs and improvements. The City will pay the full cost for ADA ramps and sidewalk improvements around stormwater boxes. At this time, staff is proposing the following areas for FY23 Sidewalk Replacement Program:

- Replacement of more than 90 sidewalk panels on Liberty Road (from Main Street to Liberty Street)
- Addition of four ramps
 - Southwest of East Meadow Street and Liberty Road
 - Northwest of East Brasfield Street and Liberty Road
 - Southwest of East Brasfield Street and Liberty Road
 - Northeast of East Woods and Liberty Road

- Replacement of 18 sidewalk panels around six stormwater boxes along Liberty Road.



Estimated cost

	City	Residents
Add 4 ADA ramps	\$10,000	-
Replace approx. 90 sidewalk panels (50/50 cost share)	\$10,000	\$10,000
Replace 20 sidewalk panels around stormwater boxes	\$5,000	-
Total	\$25,000	\$10,000



GIS

Road maintenance and snow removal layers are now available in the GIS. These are color-coded to help residents identify roads that are maintained by the City, County, or MODOT. In addition, the snow removal layer identifies the City's first priority roads which are cleared/plowed first during snow events.