



Town of Minto Sidewalk Policy

Implementing New Minimum
Maintenance Standard OREG 366/18



New Standards for Sidewalks

- May 3/18 Province approves Ontario Regulation 366/18
- Section 16.3 snow cannot exceed 8cm within 48 hours of event; maintain width at least 1.0 metre wide.
- Maintenance required “substantial probability” of ice formation within 48 hours “if practicable”.
- Section 16.7 patrols required on "representative" sidewalks at interval “deemed necessary” by Town.
- Section 16.2(1) encroachments obstructions or features not installed by the Town that constitute a significant hazard to pedestrians must be removed within 28 days.

Council Direction

- August 7/18 Council passed the following resolution:

MOTION: COW 2018-198

That Council receives the report from the Roads Foreman dated July 25, 2018, regarding Minimum Maintenance Standards Sidewalk Update and directs staff to apply remaining funds to the Cumberland Street and Prospect Street sidewalks in Palmerston, boulevard repairs consistent with new standards, and design for the Adelaide Street Harriston sidewalk, and that staff bring forward a sidewalk policy addressing the new Minimum Maintenance Standards in Ontario Regulation 366/18.



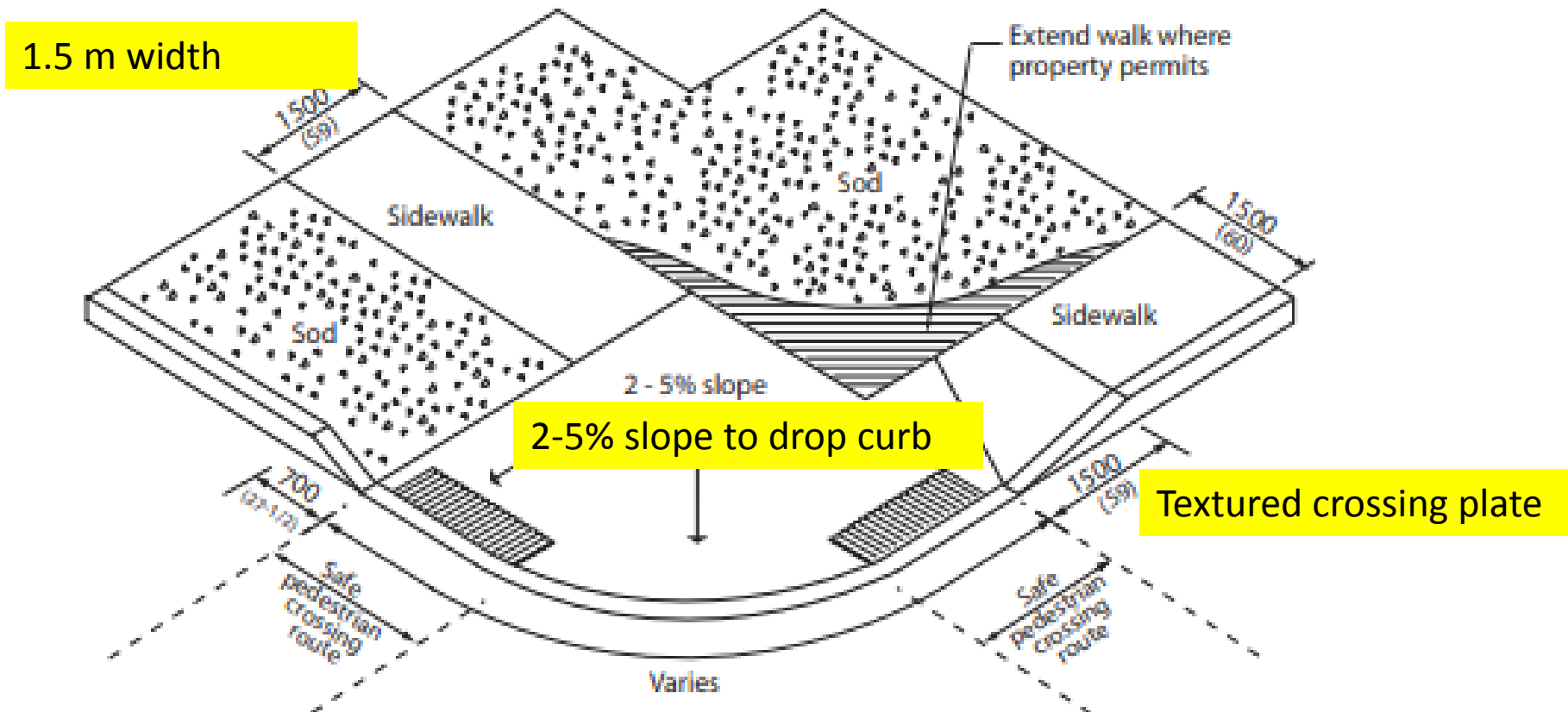
Current Maintenance

- 43 km of sidewalks; WALK Friendly Bronze Designation
- +/-65% not up to current 1.5 metre width standard;
Town budget \$60,000 capital and \$120,000
maintenance repairs +/-1 to 1.5km annually
- Winter Maintenance Policy 2.5 cm depth with salt/sand
within 12 hours of event on major routes; weekday
mornings leading to schools priority
- Town does not maintain all sidewalks in winter to new
Provincial Standard (8.0cm with 48 hours of event)
- Need to show plan and progress toward sidewalks that
meet standards and are cleared in winter

County Accessibility Standard

- Adopted by Town for persons of all abilities

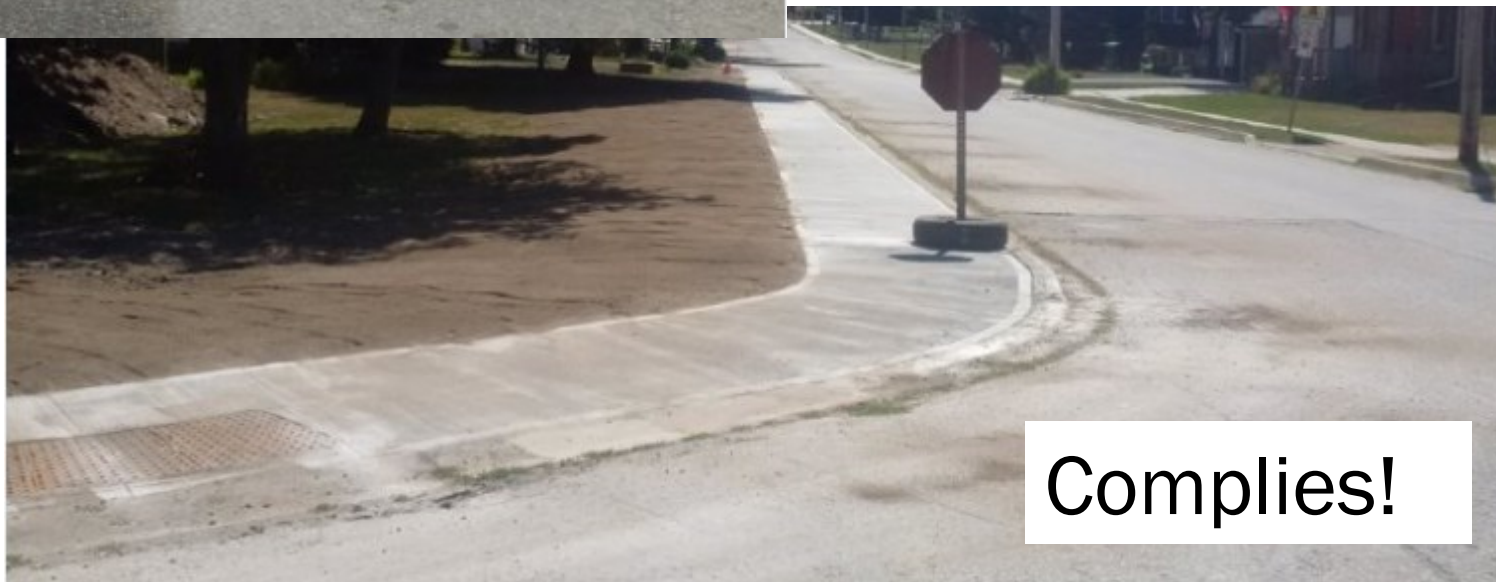
Curb Ramp at Sidewalks with Narrow Boulevards



Accessibility Standard



Does not comply

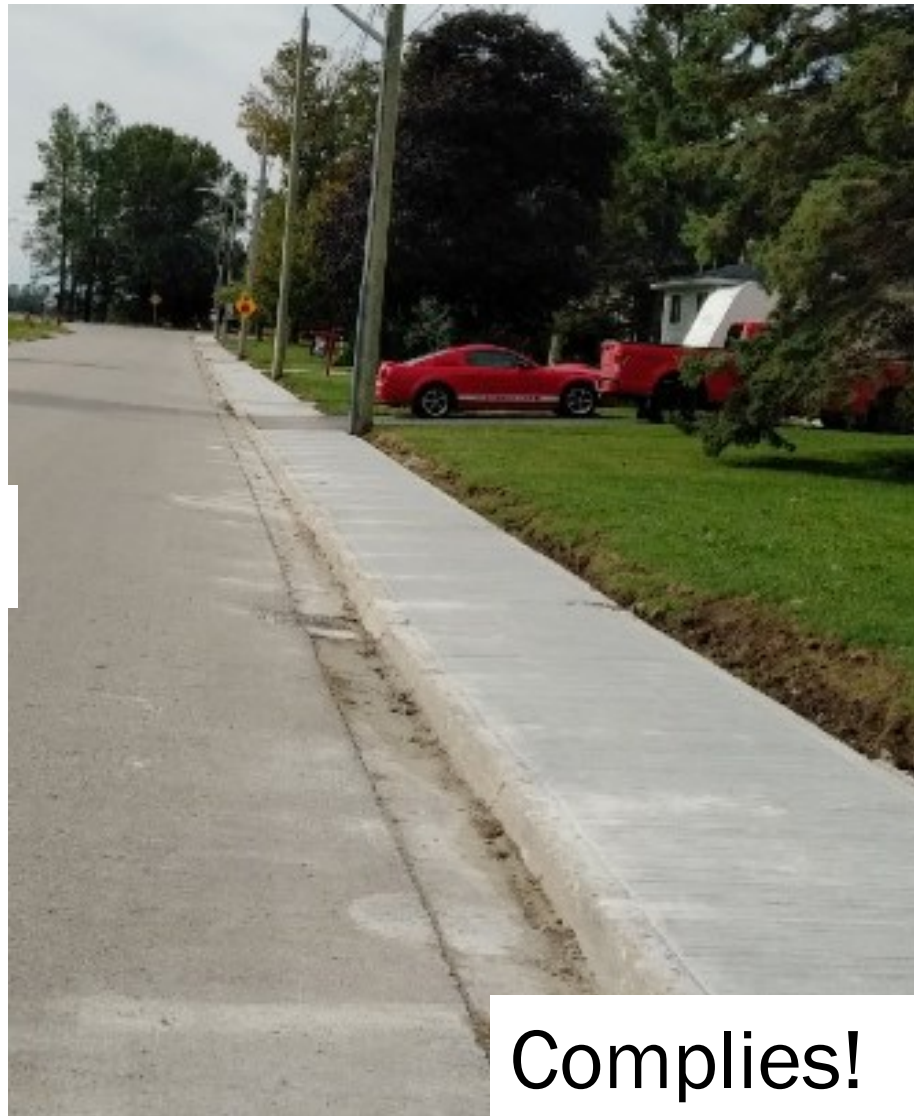
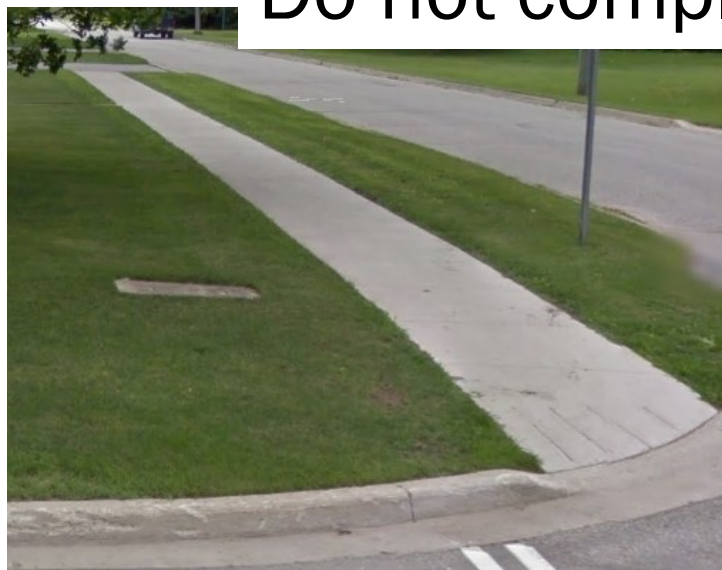


Complies!

Accessibility Standard



Do not comply



Complies!

Trails

- Important part of active transportation
- Town trail system in Clifford, Harriston, Palmerston and links between augment sidewalk system
- Join neighbourhoods or increase pedestrian options, but not as accessible
- Ann St Clifford trail behind new homes Park to Queen instead of sidewalk on the street?



Proposed Policies

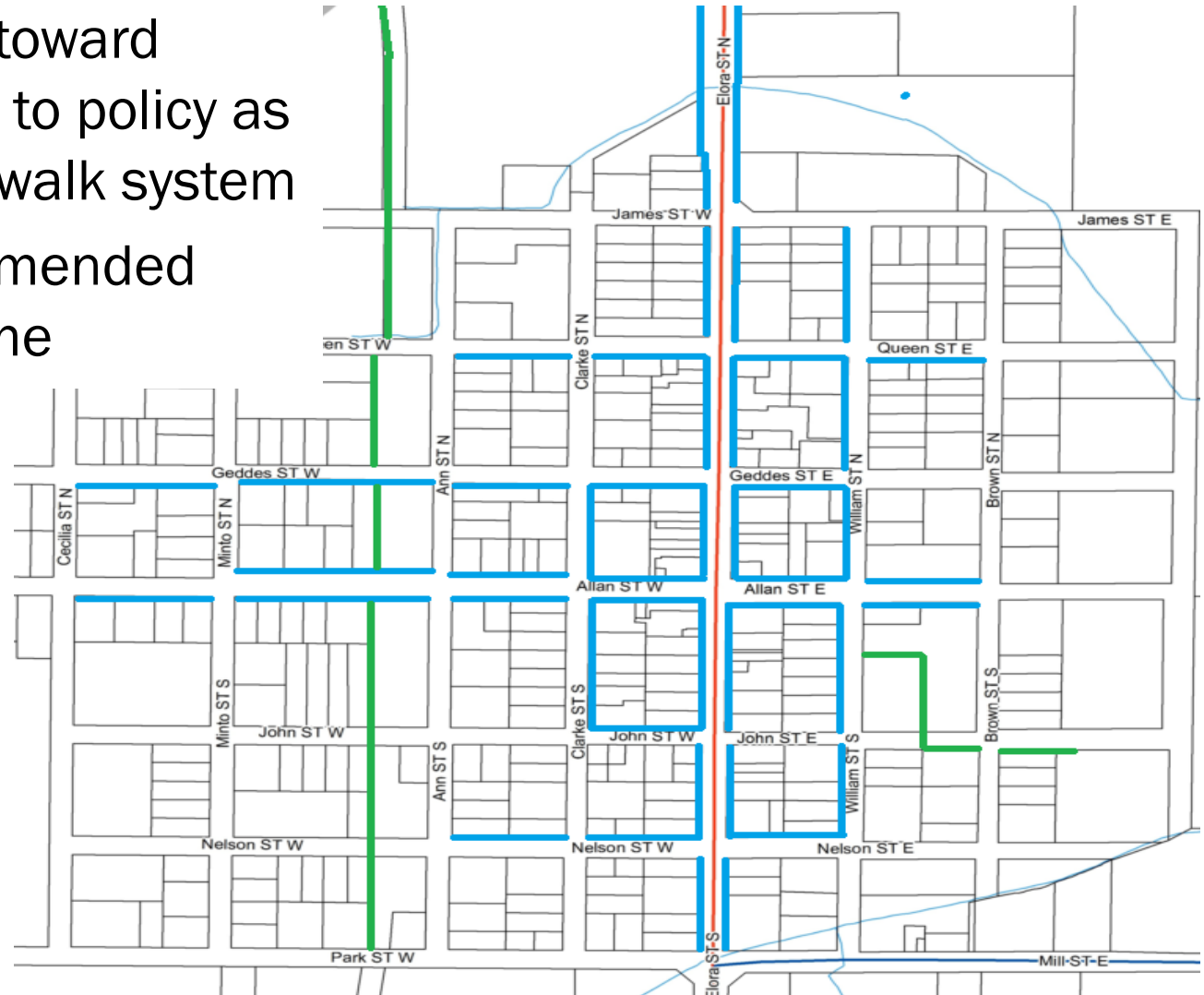
- 1.5 metre width; no more 1.2 metre wide
- Arterial Roads sidewalks both sides (Elora St Harriston, Clifford; Main St Palmerston, Toronto St ?)
- Collector Road sidewalks 1 side; continuous travel pattern to arterial roads, community features
- Local Roads sidewalks if needed to schools. Churches, local convenience
- Council enhance or reduce standard due to physical conditions, budget, engineer/staff recommendation
- Replace substandard sidewalks arterial roads high priority over collector roads priority over local roads

Proposed Policies continued

- High pedestrian use sidewalks priority over lower use
- Sidewalks in poor condition removed may not be replaced at Council's discretion; proposed to reduce total sidewalk from 43 km to 33 km
- Town will work toward winter maintenance of all sidewalks within 10 years
- Meet or exceed MMS for sidewalk winter maintenance; 2.5 cm inside 12 hours; main routes
- Patrol shall occur at the same time as road patrol
- At least 1 “north-west” sidewalk & 1 “east-west” sidewalk each urban area representative of winter conditions

Proposed Policies continued

- Town will work toward maps attached to policy as “ultimate” sidewalk system
- Maps can be amended from time to time



Implementation

Fund construction and maintenance of sidewalks:

1. Developers of subdivisions construct sidewalks at their cost to comply with this policy. Town assumes maintenance with rest of the infrastructure.
2. Capital budget minimum of \$60,000/year (2018 budget amount) increasing \$10,000/ year for 10 years.
3. Operating budget \$120,000 for winter/summer sidewalk maintenance.
4. Budget figures may be adjusted annually by Council upwards or downwards depending on priorities.
5. Policy review annually at budget & new term of Council.



Proposed Sidewalk Policy

Questions?

