



DATE: November 18, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Clerk and Assistant City Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Article 2 (Streets) of the Hayward Municipal Code Clarifying the Duty to Maintain and Repair Sidewalks; and Adopt a Resolution Appropriating \$30,000 from Fund 450 to Establish a Sidewalk Repair Financial Hardship Program

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopts the Ordinance introduced on October 28, 2025 (Attachment II) and adopts a resolution (Attachment III) appropriating \$30,000 from fund 450 to establish a Sidewalk Repair Financial Hardship Program.

SUMMARY

This item entails the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article 2 (Streets) of the Hayward Municipal Code clarifying the duty to maintain and repair sidewalks. The Ordinance was introduced on October 28, 2025, by Council Member Zermeño.

This item also appropriates \$30,000 from fund 450 to establish a hardship program to encourage and enable low-income property owners to repair damaged sidewalks, as described in the October 28, 2025, staff report.

BACKGROUND

The Ordinance was introduced by Council Member Zermeño at the October 28, 2025, meeting of the City Council with the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS: Andrews, Bonilla Jr., Goldstein, Roche, Syrop, Zermeño
	MAYOR Salinas
NOES:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE

STRATEGIC ROADMAP

The agenda item is a routine operational item and does not relate to one of the Council's Strategic Initiatives.

FISCAL IMPACT

This report includes a new appropriation from fund 450, the Street Improvement Fund, which has sufficient balance to cover this cost.

This report has no impact on the General Fund.

PUBLIC CONTACT

The summary of the Ordinance was published in the Daily Review c/o Bay Area News Group-East Bay on Friday, October 31, 2025. Adoption, at this time, is therefore appropriate.

NEXT STEPS

The Hayward Municipal Code and other related documents will be updated accordingly.

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