




200249

July 27, 2020

TO: Public Works and Environmental Concerns Committee

FROM: Carl Goldsmith, Director of Public Works 

SUBJECT: Sidewalk Expansion Request – 600 block of S. Edson

Background

In June 2020, staff was contacted by a resident residing in the 600 block of S. Edson Avenue regarding the lack of sidewalks on the east side of the roadway between Madison Street and Harding Road. The resident expressed interest in having sidewalks installed on the east side to address concerns over individuals walking in the roadway. As part of the discussion with the resident, staff provided information on the current Village Board policy pertaining to sidewalks. Specifically, staff provided the following:

"B. FILL THE GAP & COMPLETE THE BLOCK

- 1. On improved residential streets, sidewalks will be installed in up to three (3) lots in a city block at 100% Village cost to complete the block. The installation of the sidewalks must complete a continuous walkway around a city block to qualify for this program. Irregular-shaped lots and blocks will be considered on a case by case basis. Funding cap is determined annually during the Capital Improvement Program development process. (Board decision May 20, 1999)*
- 2. On improved residential streets, where there are more than three (3) lots in a city block that do not have sidewalks installed in the public right-of-way, the Village will construct the sidewalks to complete the block. The residents adjacent to the proposed sidewalks must pay for 50% of the cost of the work. The Village will only complete sidewalk improvements in the event that there is unanimous support for the extension of sidewalks. It is a first-come first-served program and applications for the current fiscal year will no longer be accepted once the funds are expended. This program is subject to funding of the program in the Capital Improvement Program."*

A map depicting the area that was surveyed can be seen to the right. There are six (6) properties within the survey area. The survey area is denoted in **PURPLE**. Areas with existing sidewalks are shown in **RED** and areas without sidewalks are depicted in **BLUE**.



A petition to gauge interest was circulated on July 1, 2020 to determine the interest of the area property owners to determine whether to further explore the expansion of the sidewalk network. The survey sought input on whether sidewalk expansion was desired, with a cost estimate of total project and cost per property owner to be determined once the scope of the project was better known. An estimate of \$1,100 per property was provided as a rough estimate based upon the Village's 2020 sidewalk contract pricing.

The surveys were due on, or before, July 17, 2020. The final results of the survey of the 15 properties included in the survey can be found below. As part of the initial letter (attached), a non-response is considered a "No" vote.

	YES	NO	NON-RESPONSE (NO)
Votes	0	3	3*
Percentage	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
TOTALS	0.00%	100.00%	

** One affirmative vote was received on July 27, 2020, but was considered a non-response due to the survey being received after the deadline.*

Recommendation

Given the lack of support by the impacted properties, staff would recommend that the Village not proceed with the sidewalk expansion at this time in the 600 block of S. Edson Avenue.



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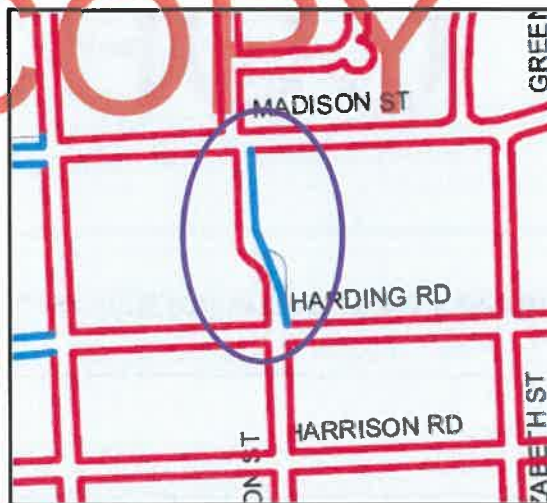
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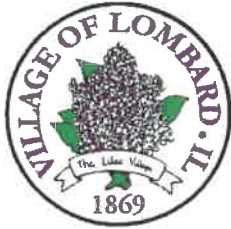
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Address: **361 W. Madison**

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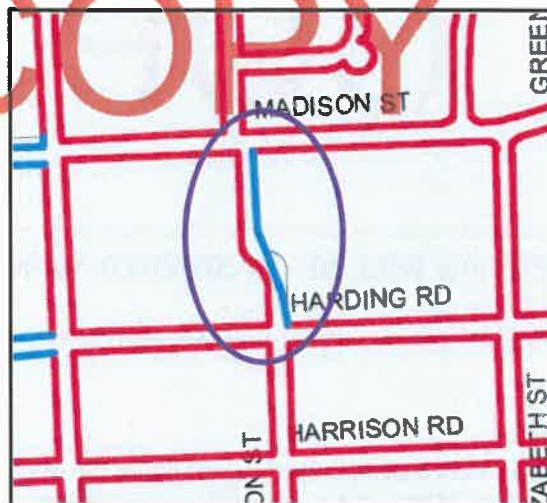
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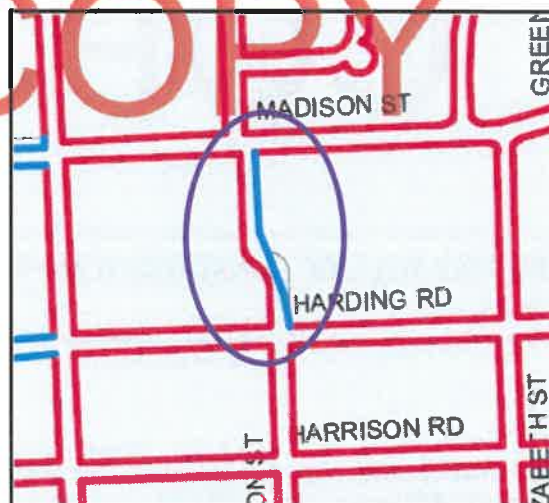
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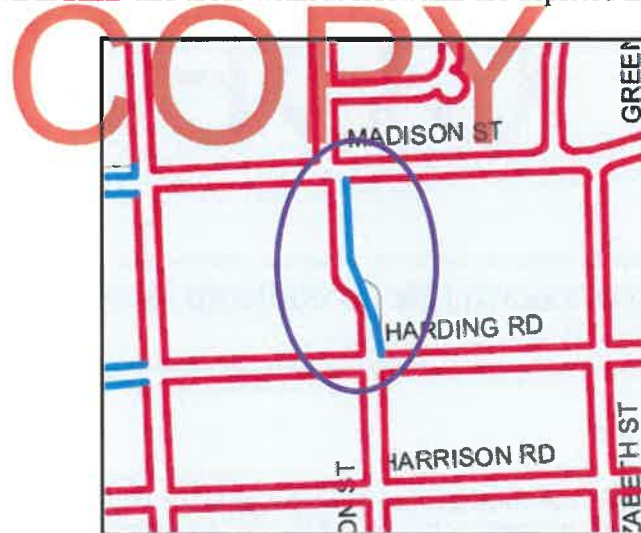
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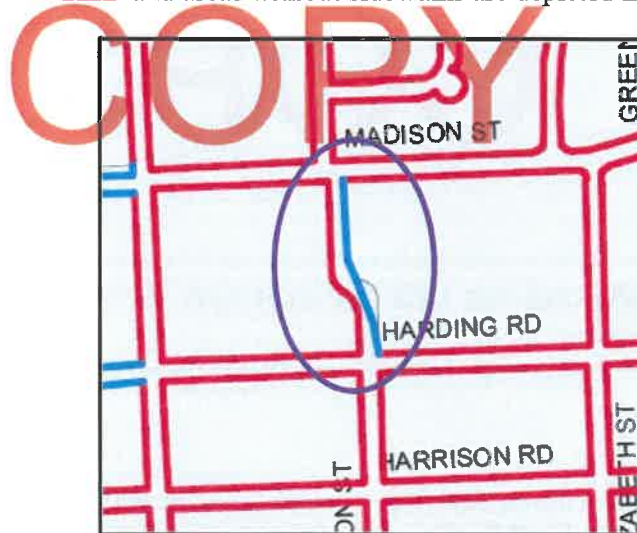
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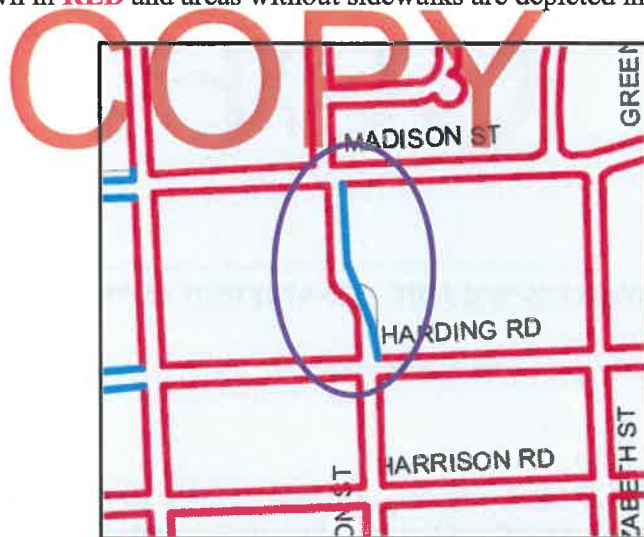
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