

**PLANNING AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT BRANCH
PROJECT SUMMARY**

BRANCH: Transportation Planning	UNIT: Transportation Strategic Planning
SUBJECT: New Sidewalk Program (missing links)	
LOCATION: Acton Street, from Knox Crescent to Station Boulevard (N Side)	
WARD: 18	COUNCILLOR: Peter Hume
FILE NUMBER:	REPORT AUTHOR: Alex Culley

PROJECT:

New sidewalk installations.

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF WORKS:

The proposed project is for a new sidewalk to be installed on Acton Street to complete the missing link in the pedestrian network. This new sidewalk will be approximately 145m long and conform to city sidewalk design standards, minimum 1.8 m width and constructed of concrete. The proposed sidewalk will connect at one end to the existing sidewalk at Knox Cres. and will terminate at Station Blvd. It will be located adjacent to the travel portion of the roadway consistent with the existing character of the roadway.

EXISTING CONDITIONS:

The Transportation Master Plan classifies Acton Street as a local road. There are existing sidewalks on the west side of Knox and on the west side of Station. There are two elementary schools in the vicinity of the proposed sidewalk – Riverview Alternative School and Ottawa Montessori School. The Paroisse Catholique Romaines church is located on Acton.

JUSTIFICATION:

The construction of the proposed sidewalk would complete a missing link in the sidewalk network and provide a connection for the students to the elementary schools. The proposed sidewalk would also enhance pedestrian safety by providing a completely dedicated pedestrian facility removed from the shared use of the roadway.

COMPLIANCE/AUTHORITY:

The City is committed, through policies of both the Official Plan and Transportation Master Plan, to emphasize the creation of pedestrian-friendly environments and to changing public travel choices to reduce dependence on the automobile through the promotion of walking and provision of walking infrastructure to reach sustainable transportation objectives under the Transportation Demand Management program. The provision of new sidewalk links is key to addressing the needs of pedestrians and improving access and safety, with an emphasis on completing missing links in the existing sidewalk network along transit routes that provide access to schools, public/recreational facilities and other pedestrian generators.

COORDINATION EFFORTS:

Opportunities for coordination will be reviewed. Circulations as per City practice.

CONSULTATION:

The public will be consulted prior to construction via community notices and communication with the Councillor's office.

COST ESTIMATE:

It is estimated that the proposed project will cost \$56,000.00.

MAP: New Sidewalk installation, Acton St. from Knox Cres. to Station Blvd.

