City of Tabor

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RE: Sidewalk Improvement Project

Dear Homeowner:

(If you are a tenant, please give this packet to your landlord)

In order to accomplish the goal of creating a safe, walkable town, the Tabor City Council has placed sidewalk improvement as a high priority. We are beginning a sidewalk improvement project with the goal of bringing all sidewalks in Tabor into compliance with the City's sidewalk ordinance within a two-year period.

We will be dividing the City of Tabor into two sections: west of Main Street and east of Main Street. During the first year, beginning in 2022, we will focus on bringing all sidewalks west of Main Street into compliance with our sidewalk ordinance. During the second year, beginning on January 1, 2023, we will focus on bringing all sidewalks east of Main Street into compliance.

We have enclosed the City of Tabor's sidewalk ordinance. <u>Please review and inspect your sidewalk to determine</u> whether it meets compliance. All property owners and water customers in Tabor are receiving this letter. If you do not have a sidewalk that is in need of repair or replacement, this is information only and nothing is required.

If you find that your sidewalk does not meet compliance, please complete, and return the enclosed Compliance Plan before <u>February 15, 2022.</u>

Following February 15, 2022, the City will begin inspecting sidewalks. If your sidewalk is not in compliance, and we have not received your Compliance Plan, we will contact you.

If your sidewalk does not meet compliance, you have two options:

- 1) Replace or repair the sidewalk yourself (or hire someone to replace or repair the sidewalk). The repair/replacement must be completed by October 1, 2023.
- 2) Request that the City of Tabor complete the necessary repairs or replacement. If the City completes the work, you will have the option to either
 - a. Pay the City in full upon completion
 - b. Spread the cost over a period of 7 years with interest, to be paid with your property taxes. This is a one-time opportunity to receive funding assistance from the City.

In the future, sidewalks will be routinely inspected, and homeowners will be expected to maintain all sidewalks in compliance with the City's sidewalk ordinance.

If your property is a corner lot where the sidewalk meets the street, the City of Tabor will pay to install handicap ramps and will communicate that work schedule with you.

Please contact Tabor's City Clerk, Mary Bateman, at 712-629-2295 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Tabor City Council James Switzer, Mayor