

ORRIN STREET SE

Ervin, Alsinia

From: Luis Carvallo <lcarvallo5@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:08 AM
To: Ervin, Alsinia
Subject: Sidewalk on Orrin St SE - 2nd Survey
Attachments: Sidewalk on Orrin_2nd Survey Doc.pdf; Survey responses_Sidewalk on Orrin St.pdf; Sidewalk on Orrin_Survey results.pdf; B Cunningham_letter_603 Orrin St.pdf

Hello Alsinia,

As promised attached are the results of the 2nd survey regarding the sidewalk project on Orrin St SE.

Attached are 4 files:

- 1) Copy of original letter & survey distributed among neighbors/owners
- 2) Copy of all responses (completed surveys)
- 3) Tabulated survey results
- 4) Letter received from Mr. Cunningham (owner - 603 Orrin St SE)

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. McManis were the only owners that sent letters/e-mails to me beyond completing the survey.

Since you already heard from Mr. McManis (vehemently opposed to this project, owner - 605 Orrin St SE), I figure I should include Mr. Cunningham's letter.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Luis

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Luis F. Carvallo
lcarvallo5@gmail.com

NEIGHBORHOOD SURVEY REGARDING POTENTIAL NEW SIDEWALK ON ORRIN STREET

July 31, 2020

Dear Orrin St SE Property Owners,

Following a meeting yesterday at the Vienna Town Hall between property owners on Orrin Street and Town of Vienna Public Works Director Michael Gallagher and Project Manager Alsinia Ervin, it was decided by all attending to complete a second survey regarding the matter of construction of a new sidewalk on Orrin Street. This second survey's primary function is to give property owners a chance to put together a more comprehensive and cohesive response for the Town Council's consideration, as well as to give all property owner a second chance to participate in the decision making process as a community of neighbors.

This having been said, we want to clarify that this initiative was proposed and it's organized by neighbors (for the benefit of all property owners) and, although it's not an officially sanctioned survey from The Town of Vienna, all results will be shared with Town of Vienna Public Works Director Michael Gallagher. He in turn will use this information to formulate his final recommendation(s) to the Town Council on August 31st.

Thank you in advance for your participation and input.

Best regards,

Luis F. Carvallo

Owner – 512 Orrin St SE

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Given this information:

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- 2) If you are against a sidewalk on your side of the street would you consider supporting one built on the opposite side ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ AMBIVALENT

3) Your property address is located at: 500 Orrin St SE

4) Comments (for or against this project):

Sidewalk on Orrin would greatly increase
the safety for kids and the overall
ease of use for walkers, and many
other activities! Happy to have on our side!

5) Signature of property owner: Jane Cheever + [Signature]

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512 Orrin St SE

Vienna, VA 22180

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

5) Signature of property owner:

Sara Almeida

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the opposite side ✓ YES _____ NO _____ AMBIVALENT

3) Your property address is located at: 502 Orrin St SE

4) Comments (for or against this project):

"Unfortunately" the neighbors Do NOT
clean after their day!!! This will be more
complicated and mess with sidewalk!

5) Signature of property owner: _____

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2) If you are against a sidewalk on your side of the street would you consider supporting one built on the opposite side _____ YES ✓ NO ✓ AMBIVALENT

3) Your property address is located at: 506 Orrin St SE

4) Comments (for or against this project): - AGAINST!!

SIDEWALK ON EITHER SIDE ARE
NOT NECESSARY. STREET HAS NO
HEAVY TRAFFIC! AND HAVING NO
SIDEWALKS HAS NEVER AFFECTED
THE QUALITY OF LIFE ON THE ENTIRE STREET!

5) Signature of property owner: Just Dey

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- 3) Your property address is located at: 509 Orrin St SE
- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

5) Signature of property owner: Catherine Cochran

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4) Comments (for or against this project):

5) Signature of property owner: Matthew McDaniel

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

I would also support a sidewalk
on the odd side of Orrin

5) Signature of property owner: Luis Carvallo

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

We have had our driveway & apron done 3 times
in the past several years so we ^{do} ~~are~~ not want
a sidewalk on our side. Thank you!

5) Signature of property owner: _____

Philip Hein

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- 3) Your property address is located at: 517 Orrin St SE
- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

Along with a sidewalk, speed
bumps would go far to slow
down speeding cars & trucks.
One on each of the street for safety
of the residents.

- 5) Signature of property owner: Marianne Sephton

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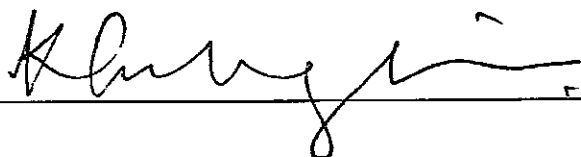
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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

SAFE ! BEAUTIFUL !
PLEASE DO ASAP !

5) Signature of property owner: 

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

I support the increased safety this
would bring, no matter which side
it is on.

5) Signature of property owner: Th. C. Wm

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- 3) Your property address is located at: 603 Orrin St SE
- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

See attached letter

5) Signature of property owner: Brian M Cunningham

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

5) Signature of property owner: David McManis

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- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

Changed my answer to #2. I would support the sidewalk on
the other side of Orrin St.

5) Signature of property owner: Thomas A. Kelly

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- 3) Your property address is located at: 607 Orrin St SE
- 4) Comments (for or against this project):

There is really no need for a
sidewalk. I've lived in this house since
1963. My children & neighbor children have done
just fine playing in the yard & street for years.

5) Signature of property owner: Elizabeth Brady

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512 Orrin Street SE,

Vienna, VA 22180

Neighborhood survey regarding Orrin Street sidewalk

1. I consider a sidewalk on either side of the street to be an unnecessary waste of public funds, but am not against it.
2. If built, I would prefer to have it on the other side
- 3 My property (503 Follin Lane) is on the corner of Follin Lane and Orrin Street. It is on the even numbers side of Orrin Street
4. My main concern relates to maintaining trees and bushes that may be in the way of a sidewalk. Also, as the property is on a bit of a slope, so I am also concerned about how to deal with grading the slope and/or building retaining walls. I understand that the Town of Vienna will address these concerns if the sidewalk is built.

Signature of property owner.


Sverrir Sigurdsson

NEW SIDEWALK ON ORRIN ST SE - SURVEY RESULTS

PROPERTY (OWNER)	SURVEY RECEIVED	YES	NO	OPPOSITE SIDE ONLY	NO RESPONSE
500 (Suresh Patel)	✓	✓			
501 (Kabir & Sara Ahmad)	✓	✓			
502 (Maryam Gilanshah)	✓			✓	
503 (Chang Yeh)	✓				✓
504 (Annie & Tuan Duong)	X *				
505 (Carlos Acosta)	✓				✓
506 (Justo Diaz)	✓		X		
507 (Bo Yu)	X *				
508 (Satbir Sran)	✓				✓
509 (Helen Cochran)	✓		X		
510 (Alireza Najafpoor)	✓				✓
511 (Matthew & Juliet McDonald)	✓	✓			
512 (Luis Carvallo)	✓	✓			
513 (Philip Pien)	✓			✓	
514 (Robert Tatelman)	X **				
515 (John & Tommy Chan)	✓				✓
517 (Marianne Sephtan)	✓	✓			
600 (Khin Maung Soe)	✓	✓			
601 (Shiow-Laang Huang)	✓	✓			
602 (Sean Woo)	X **				
603 (Brian Cunningham)	✓	✓			
605 (David McManis)	✓		X		
606 (Thomas Kelly)	✓			✓	
607 (Elizabeth Brady)	✓		X		
609 (Christine Tran)	✓				✓
503 Follin (Sverrir Sigurdsson)	✓			✓	
TOTAL 26 Owners	22	8	4	4	6

* Out of town/ Nobody home

** Rental / Unable to reach landlord

Dear Neighbor,

My name is Brian Cunningham, and my address is 603 Orrin. I am new to the neighborhood but not to Vienna. However, living on a street without a sidewalk is a first time for me, and I am hoping a short-lived experience. Hence, that is why I am writing you as my neighbor.

I want to outline a few of the reasons why adding a sidewalk to Orrin would improve our neighborhood.

- **Property Values** – While this is the least important to me personally, because I plan on keeping my family here for decades to come, it is understandably important to many people. Sidewalks add significant value to our property, because they inherently increase Walkability Scores of our homes. Walkability Scores are correlated directly to property values, and even a slight improvement in walkability yields material increases in values. Redfin estimates an increase of a single Walkability Score Point (1-100 scale) increases home values by nearly 1%. For more info and support of this fact, visit any of the following websites:
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 - <https://www.fastcompany.com/3062989/50-reasons-why-everyone-should-want-more-walkable-streets>
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- **Community** – Sidewalks facilitate social interaction amongst neighbors that is simply not possible to do without sidewalks. As your new neighbor, I cannot have an introductory conversation from a normal distance (greater than 6 feet but not from the middle of the street) when I walk by your homes. Nor can any other family that lives near us. Sidewalks will enable friendly and neighborly communication and foster growth and relationships that bond neighbors together for generations. Right now, our street does not allow for that. When I am on my front porch or lawn, the best I can hope for is a fleeting waive and smile from a dog walker or biker as they navigate the street and scan for automotive traffic. We are impeding this communication now and missing out on building a greater sense of identity within our community if we block the Town of Vienna from building this sidewalk on our street.
- **Cost** – The Town has the funds from a donor who understands the value a sidewalk brings to a street and neighborhood, which is why he required his donation to only be used for sidewalks. We have a rare gift to be able to get these sidewalks built (and this includes any associated cost) for free. It will probably be our only chance to get an instantaneous boost in property value at no cost to us.
- **SAFETY** – This really is the only issue that needs to be considered when put in the context of all the other pros and cons of this decision. Not having sidewalks is simply unsafe for pedestrians and neighbors, and the risk is one of human life. My wife and I have to stroll our young children in the street every day. My mother lives with me and is a senior citizen who walks very slowly but needs the daily walk for her health, as we all do. Orrin has cars turning off from Follin above the speed limit regularly. Food delivery and Amazon delivery vehicles are now the most common automobiles using our street, and they are piloted by distracted drivers unfamiliar with their surroundings. A distracted driver can kill a person (or pet for that matter) driving at speeds as

low as a few miles per hour. It is a recipe for an accident. While there are other children and elderly living on our street now, this will affect everyone at some point in time. Once we get to an advanced age, not having a sidewalk makes it nearly impossible to even attempt to go for a walk, and it makes even a wheel chair stroll dangerous. We should not be forcing our senior citizens, young children, or anyone for that matter to have to risk their lives and walk on the uneven/sloped street of Orrin.

- o The Department of Transportation has done volumes of research on the dangers of streets without sidewalks. The results of the research show that streets without sidewalks are more than 3 times likely to have a pedestrian injured than those with sidewalks. There is much more data illustrating the risk of injury and death on streets without sidewalks, some of which can be found on these websites:

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- <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/infrastructure/pdfs/infrastructure/infrastructure.pdf>

I understand that I will not be able to persuade someone who is dead set against sidewalks. But I just ask that those folks give the bigger context consideration. If you are only concerned with your side of the street, please at least respond to the newest survey with approval for the sidewalk on the opposite side. If you are undecided on the sidewalk issue, I especially urge you to read these links thoroughly, so you can make an informed decision. I am hopeful and confident it will lead you to make the responsible decision and approve the sidewalks to be built, which will improve the safety, quality of life, and property value in our neighborhood dramatically.

I look forward to meeting you and would be more than happy to discuss this issue further with any neighbor who cares to do so. Feel free to give me a knock or email any day.

Sincerely and warmly,



Brian Cunningham

Your Friend and Neighbor

603 Orrin St.

brian.cunningham@att.net

Ervin, Alsinia

From: Brian Cunningham <bmc.tax.services@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2020 8:57 AM
To: Gallagher, Michael; Ervin, Alsinia
Subject: Sidewalks
Attachments: Orrin St Sidewalk Letter.docx

Mr. Gallagher,

Please find the attached letter I drafted expressing my thoughts on the proposed sidewalk on Orrin St. I am disappointed that the town is deferring a safety issue to homeowners when the town has no obligation to do so. It is in everyone's best interest, including those voting against improving their own street with a sidewalk, to build said sidewalk on Orrin with this generous fund gifted to the town to make it a safer place. The traffic coming off Follin is extremely dangerous, and when a tragic accident occurs, the Town Council will share in culpability if they opt to delay this overdue project any longer.

I watch walking neighbors avoid moving cars in the street every day from my porch. I walk my children on the grass at the corner of Follin and Orrin to avoid the fast-turning delivery service drivers. I hold my mother's arm as she walks the crowned and sloped street of Orrin designed for automobiles and water run-off, but not walkers. It is just unsafe and needs to be cured before someone is hit by a car. Period. Full stop.

I implore you and the Town Council to take the morally right action on August 31st and move forward with this sidewalk, so Orrin can be a safe street for its community members to walk.

Please let me know if anyone would like to discuss this further with me. I will make myself available.

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202.276.3528

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 - <https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/pedestrian-safety>

I understand that I will not be able to persuade someone who is dead set against sidewalks. But I just ask that those folks give the bigger context consideration. If you are only concerned with your side of the street, please at least respond to the newest survey with approval for the sidewalk on the opposite side. If you are undecided on the sidewalk issue, I especially urge you to read these links thoroughly, so you can make an informed decision. I am hopeful and confident it will lead you to make the responsible decision and approve the sidewalks to be built, which will improve the safety, quality of life, and property value in our neighborhood dramatically.

I look forward to meeting you and would be more than happy to discuss this issue further with any neighbor who cares to do so. Feel free to give me a knock or email any day.

Sincerely and warmly,

Brian Cunningham

Your Friend and Neighbor

603 Orrin St.

Bmc.tax.services@gmail.com

Ervin, Alsinia

From: Anne Cheever <acheever@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 25, 2020 9:16 AM
To: Ervin, Alsinia; Neil Patel
Subject: Sidewalks

Dear Michael,

I am writing regarding the sidewalk plans for Orrin and Delano drive. We live at 500 Orrin st, so our property is situated on the corner, touching both Orrin street and Delano drive.

Although we are proponents of sidewalks here in our neighborhood, we are very concerned about the prospect of losing yard space along Delano drive due to our fence, trees, and a garden on that side of our property. We would not like a sidewalk on our side along Delano drive. However, we would be perfectly happy to have a sidewalk in front of our house along Orrin St!

Will there be a vote on the decision for sidewalks and which side of the road they would be placed? How much space would a sidewalk take?

Again, we would welcome a sidewalk in front of our house on Orrin, but NOT along the side of our house on Delano.

Best,
Anne Cheever
500 Orrin St SE
Vienna, VA 22180

Ervin, Alsinia

From: Catherine Cochran <CBCochran0427@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 1:54 PM
To: Ervin, Alsinia
Subject: Sidewalks - Orrin Street

I doubt that I will be able to attend the public meeting scheduled for Thursday July 30 regarding the potential sidewalk for Orrin Street.

If this is my opportunity to record my preference, I vote against installing a sidewalk on Orrin Street.

Regards,

Catherine Cochran
509 Orrin Street

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Alsinia Ervin

Project Manage

From: Sara Ahmad <saraahmad.dc@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 5:49 PM

To: Ervin, Alsinia <Alsinia.Ervin@viennava.gov>

Subject: Sidewalks

Hi. My name is Sara Ahmad and here are my questions about the upcoming public meeting for property owners on Orrin Street SE and Delano Drive SE (scheduled for Thursday, July 30 between 6-7 pm).

- 1) What specific proposals will the meeting address? The public meeting is an opportunity to discuss the proposed sidewalk on Orrin Street an Delano Drive. The property owners have an opportunity to ask questions and get a better understanding of what can and can not be done.
- 2) Chapter 16 of the Vienna Code indicates that a percentage of costs for Portland cement or cement concrete sidewalks may be the property owner's responsibility. What costs will owners bear for the sidewalk projects envisaged? There will be no cost to the property owners. The funding for this project comes from the Robinson Trust (a gift to the Town of almost 8 million dollars).
- 4) When are owners informed of decisions made on sidewalk projects, The final decision to install sidewalk would be made by Town Council. We plan to present this information at the August 31st meeting. and how much time elapses between the decision and commencement of work? At least a year.

Sincerely,

Sara Ahmad

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