



SUBJECT: Consider a request from Council Member Mendoza related to potential updates to the Objective Design Standards

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

STAFF: Alexis Morris, Community Development Director

TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council consider and discuss the request from Council Member Mendoza from February 27, 2024, Council Meeting to consider updates to the objective design standards to require a park strip in front of sidewalks in new development.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action other than staff time.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Council Policy 110-1 Rule 4.4 (b)(2), this item has been placed on the agenda so that Council may discuss it and provide further direction to staff. Pursuant to Section 4.4, Council discussion is limited to whether staff time and City resources should be spent on the item and the time period for scheduling.

The Interim Objective Design Standards (ODS) were adopted by City Council on June 27, 2023. The Interim ODS includes language that states: "Building Standards, the City's Public Works/Engineering Division Standard Plans and Specification, and other requirements included in the Municipal Code also apply, though not all are included herein." This language would also be incorporated into the Permanent ODS currently being drafted by staff.

The Engineering Standard Plans and Specifications ([CITY OF BRENTWOOD \(brentwoodca.gov\)](http://CITY_OF_BRENTWOOD.brentwoodca.gov)) state that all public and private improvements within the City of Brentwood shall be constructed in accordance with these Standard Plans and Specifications. Standards ST-4 and ST-5 are for residential local and collector streets and both include details for both attached sidewalks (no landscape strip) and detached sidewalks (with landscaping also known as park strips). Most projects with



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public streets proposed detached sidewalks, but projects can also propose attached sidewalks. The standard street details within the specifications are included here: brentwoodca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/4656/638309887803100000.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Previous Action by the City Council is included on Attachment 1.

DATE OF NOTICE

Not Applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Not Applicable.

ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)

Not Applicable

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Previous Action