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Subject: FW: S. 12 Ave questions

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Subject: Re: S. 12 Ave questions

Nicole,

Here are our responses to the two questions:

Can you advise if the City of Tucson has expended or considered expending any CDBG funds for S. 12th Avenue sidewalk project? [City received CDBG funding for 4 bus shelters](#)

Please advise what sidewalk projects in the past that they have utilized CDBG funds for.

TDOT has used CDBG funds for sidewalk installation on both major and residential streets in the past, via the Back to Basics program. The City does not maintain a specific list of which sidewalks have been installed using CDBG funds.

The COT has an ordinance that conveys the maintenance of the sidewalks to individual property owners. Has there been any discussion regarding the maintenance of the sidewalks of the S. 12th Avenue project? Do the businesses know that they may be held responsible for this? Is the COT willing to step up and take responsibility for the maintenance?

Chapter 25 of the Tucson City Code does establish that abutting property owners are responsible for maintaining the pedestrian right-of-way, including sidewalks. Maintenance has been discussed in meetings with the business owners. In general, with appropriate planning of adjacent plantings (which the City will oversee), maintenance needs for newly installed sidewalk should be minimal for many years to come.