

## **Downtown Livability Code**

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Downtown Working Committee  
Notes on Sidewalk Issues  
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### **A. Sidewalks**

1. General Requirements
  - Minimums of - 5'-0" furniture zone – 10'-0" clear zone – 5'-0" supplemental zone (where allowable)
  - Minimum sidewalk height clearance is 8'-0"
  - Need to update Pedestrian Space Plan based on identification of street types
  - Fairlie-Poplar historic sidewalks widths to be addressed separately
2. Street furniture requirements - trees and street lights
  - Street trees required – maximum of 50'-0" o.c. with minimum planting area of 5'-0" x 5'-0"
  - Tree grates only required on certain streets – need to determine which streets.
  - Pedestrian lights are encouraged to be used in-between street tree locations, but not required
3. Sidewalk Cafes and accessory outdoor dining
  - Sidewalk dining is desirable.
  - Permanent outdoor dining that is fenced will only be allowed in a supplemental zone
  - Dining that does not require fencing and is not permanent should be permitted to locate small tables (20" wide maximum) in an area 2'-0" wide adjacent to the building – on which streets should this be allowable?
4. Arcades and embayments
  - Should arcades be permitted with restrictions? Arcaded areas may not extend over the property line. Minimum 8'-0" clear zone outside the arcade and 7'-0" inside the arcade
5. Supplemental Zone
  - A supplemental zone is located between the clear zone of the sidewalk and the building and permit pedestrian oriented activities such as outdoor dining or displays of merchandise
  - Optional in most locations, but required on certain streets – identify which streets- that are pedestrian and retail oriented or that are primarily multi-family residential.
  - Minimum of 5'-0" – may be wider, but where – adjacent to Centennial Olympic Park
  - No parking is permitted between a building and the street.

### **B. Driveways and Curb Cuts**

- Sidewalk paving materials should be continued across any intervening driveway
- Maximum width of driveway (as required by Public Works code) is 12'-0" per lane
- Maximum width if a driveway crossing a sidewalk is 24'-0"