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## DATE

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The following was adopted as Policy by **Resolution No. 2021-12-259** at the **Regular Council Meeting** held on **December 7, 2021**.

## PURPOSE

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The District of Lake Country (“District”) recognizes that, balanced against the nature and quality of the risk involved, the District’s system of inspections is reasonable in light of all circumstances, including budgetary limits, available personnel and equipment, in the criteria of wanting to meet the standard duty of care.

## POLICY

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### 1. DEFINITIONS

**District** means the organization of the District of Lake Country or the area within the municipal boundaries as the context may require.

**Director** means the Director of Engineering and Environmental Services or designate.

**Sidewalk** means an asphalt, concrete or unit paver surfaced pedestrian walkway located within an arterial highway, a District highway, District owned land, or a District statutory right of way for sidewalk.

2. The Director shall be responsible for the implementation of this policy.
3. The Director shall consider the health and safety of the public in implementing this policy.
4. The District will rely upon reports of observed defects by members of the public, from District Road Maintenance contractors or from District staff.
5. The District shall not introduce a policy of systematic and regular inspections of sidewalks however, will rely on a reactive inspection and maintenance system for all aspects of sidewalk inspection and maintenance.
6. The District will respond to a notification that a hazardous condition exists within three (3) working days.
7. District staff will inspect, take photographs at their discretion; assess the situation and notify the Director.
8. Costs associated with the repair of the sidewalk shall be within existing operational budgets.
9. Repair of the sidewalk will be carried out as soon as reasonably practicable.
10. Temporary precautions will be taken to ensure public safety prior to the repairs being carried out, which may include the placement of barricades, warning signs, temporary fills and/or high visibility paint.
11. District staff will visit the site as required to ensure the temporary precautions remain in place until repairs are completed.
12. Record keeping for notification and maintenance shall be in the District’s current Records Management System.

*Original signed by James Baker*  
Mayor

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Corporate Officer