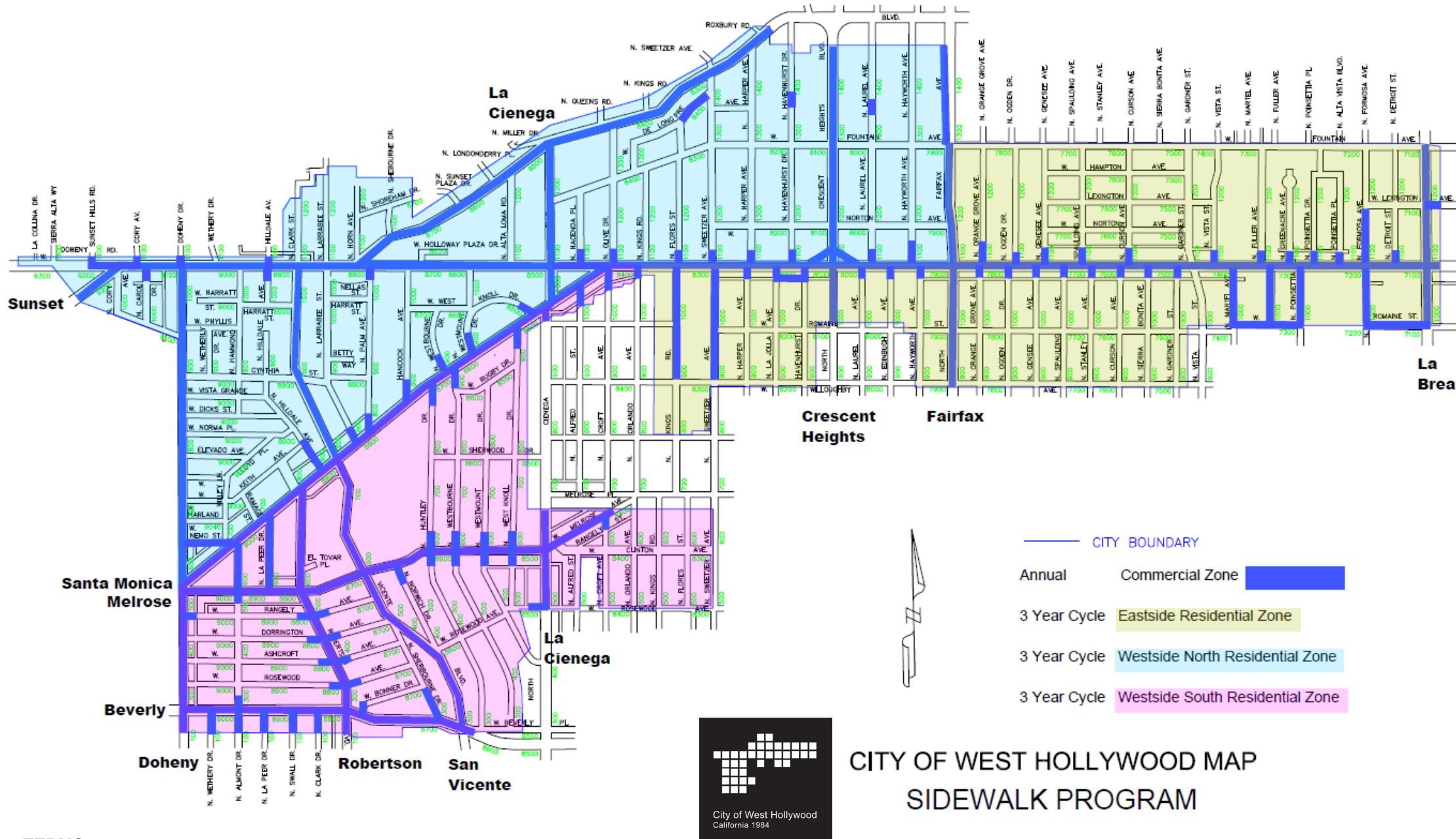


## PROGRAM STATEMENT

The City of West Hollywood's Sidewalk Inspection & Repair Program promotes public safety. The Program includes inspections and temporary and permanent repairs of sidewalks that are displaced, damaged, or show significant signs of deterioration. Temporary repairs are completed on an annual basis, as required, through the Program administered by the Facilities and Field Services Division while permanent repairs are completed on an annual basis, as required, through the Sidewalk Replacement Program administered by the Engineering Division.



## SIDEWALK INSPECTION & REPAIR PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The City conducts annual sidewalk inspections at all commercial zones and every 3 years in residential zones. Generally, five (5) conditions are considered when inspecting and repairing sidewalks: displacement, mounding, spalling, crumbling, and missing. Sidewalk inspection findings are placed into three (3) categories based on priority as determined by the amount of vertical displacement or other damage. Sidewalks with three inches (3") or more vertical displacement are considered Priority #1. Those sidewalks with equal to or greater than 0.75 inch (3/4") and up to three inches (3") vertical displacement are considered Priority #2. Those sidewalks with equal to or less than 0.75 inch (3/4") displacement are considered Priority #3. All Priority #1 and #2 sidewalks are prioritized and coordinated with the City's workload and repaired with either a temporary asphalt ramping patch or, in specific cases, by grinding or shaving the concrete. All locations identified for permanent repair during sidewalk inspections will be added to a list and forwarded to the Engineering Division for inclusion in the Sidewalk Replacement Program.

The City uses the following Priority Rating Index (PRI) system for sidewalk inspections and repairs:

- Priority #1:** The sidewalk is uplifted (displacement differential) in such a way as to create either a deviation between planes of the broken sidewalk which equals or exceeds three inches (3"); or an uplifted mounding condition in the sidewalk which may be greater than or equal to five inches (5") even though the deviation between the broken planes is less than three inches (3").
- Priority #2:** The sidewalk is uplifted in such a way as to create either a deviation between planes of the broken sidewalk which is less than three inches (3") and greater than or equal to 0.75 inch (3/4"), or an uplifted mounding condition equal to or greater than three inches (3") but less than five inches (5").
- Priority #3:** The sidewalk is uplifted in such a way as to create either a deviation between planes of the broken sidewalk less than 0.75 inch (3/4") or an uplifted mounding condition of less than three inches (3").

The above measures are estimated by the inspector and are only approximate, given the number of sidewalk inspections conducted each year. Displacements below 0.5 inch (1/2") are not recorded in the inspection.

## TERMS

**Commercial Zones/ Annual Inspection Cycle:** Sidewalks adjacent to areas with high pedestrian foot traffic such as shopping districts and commercial corridors are inspected for sidewalk repairs every year.

**Crumbling:** Any sidewalk that is so old or deteriorated as to be lacking in structural integrity and is falling apart. Sidewalks that have extensive hairline cracks also fall under this category since it is a precursor condition to further deterioration and crumbling.

**Displacement:** Any sidewalk that is uplifted or sunken and exhibiting a displacement whereby two planes do not meet at the same elevation and have a differential of planes.

**Missing:** Any previously existing sidewalk within the active sidewalk system that has been removed and not replaced, for any reason, is categorized as missing. A missing sidewalk is subject, as soon as possible, to restoration or other temporary restorative measures, such as asphalt patching, until a full restoration can be done. This sidewalk condition does not refer to those areas or stretches of the public right of way which do not have any existing sidewalks.

**Mounding:** Any sidewalk that has no plane differential but is uplifted or sunken in such a manner as to create a mound or hump from the original elevation.

**Permanent Repair:** Permanent repair work typically include sidewalk grinding and/or full replacement.

**Requests for Sidewalk Repair:** When a damaged sidewalk is reported to the City, the City will conduct a location inspection as soon as possible. If necessary, a temporary repair will be made and the site will be added to the list for permanent repairs.

**Residential Zones/ Triennial Inspection Cycle:** Sidewalks adjacent to residential areas within the City are inspected for sidewalk repairs every three (3) years on a rotation basis as indicated on the map. The three residential zones are Eastside, Westside North, and Westside South.

**Spalling:** Any sidewalk that exhibits substantial surface peeling.

**Temporary Repair:** Temporary repair work typically include asphalt patching and/or concrete grinding.