

CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
COUNCIL

No.2026-36

- WHEREAS, Malbone Road serves as a key east-west connector within the City of Newport and provides access to residential neighborhoods, recreational facilities, schools, and major arterial roadways; AND
- WHEREAS, a portion of Malbone Road currently lacks continuous sidewalk infrastructure connecting it safely to Admiral Kalbfus Road, which is a heavily traveled corridor and serves as an important link to community destinations, and increasing pedestrian exposure to vehicle traffic; AND
- WHEREAS, the absence of a continuous sidewalk forces pedestrians—including students, families, seniors, and individuals with disabilities—to walk along or within the roadway, creating hazardous conditions; and
- WHEREAS, the construction of a continuous sidewalk connection between Malbone Road and Admiral Kalbfus Road would enhance safety, accessibility, and connectivity for residents and visitors; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes pedestrian safety as a priority and supports infrastructure improvements that promote walkability, accessibility, traffic calming, and public health; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
- RESOLVED, the City Council hereby directs the City Administration to develop a plan for the design and construction of a sidewalk along the remaining segment of Malbone Road necessary to provide a continuous pedestrian connection to Admiral Kalbfus Road; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the plan shall include, but will not be limited to the following:

- o ADA-compliant sidewalk standards;
- o Evaluation of drainage, grading, utility relocation, and right-of-way considerations;
- o Traffic safety analysis and potential complementary traffic-calming measures;
- o Estimated project costs, including design, permitting, construction, and contingency;
- o Fiscally responsible and expeditious funding strategy;
- o Identification of any required easements or property impacts;
- o A proposed project timeline.

STEPHANIE SMYTH  
ELLEN PINNOCK

IN COUNCIL  
READ AND PASSED  
**MARCH 25, 2026**



Laura C. Swistak, CMC  
City Clerk