

#### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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# Sidewalk Palooza: Community-led walking tours highlight deficient sidewalks, need for action to Denver's City Council

Sidewalk Palooza tours organized by council district begin this Friday.

### WHAT

Sidewalk Palooza is a community-led series of walking tours raising awareness that many Denverites lack access to adequate sidewalk infrastructure. Walking tours have been organized in City Council districts across the city and will be attended by relevant City Council members. Each tour has been organized by community members and will showcase sidewalks to nowhere, broken sidewalks and sidewalks where people in wheelchairs or people with strollers should be able to safely roll, but can't.

The goal of Sidewalk Palooza and the <u>Denver Deserves Sidewalks campaign</u> is to convince Denver to stop treating sidewalks as secondary infrastructure; community members who are leading the tours are calling on city leaders to take action on this issue.

Tours will kick off this Friday at 3 p.m. with relevant City Councilors in attendance for each district. Tours will continue throughout October, with additional dates announced in the weeks to come.

### WHERE AND WHEN

Friday, September 24 at 3 p.m.

- Council District 8 with Councilperson Christopher J. Herndon invited
- Beginning at the intersection of 18th and Olive (Johnson and Wales University)

Friday, September 24 at 6 p.m.

- Council District 10 with councilperson Chris Hinds attending
- Beginning at intersection of 13th and Pennsylvania
- Also being hosted:

- o Saturday, September 25 at 9 a.m.
- Saturday, September 25 at 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 25 at 10 a.m.

- Council District 1 with councilperson Amanda Sandoval attending
- Beginning at Scheitler Recreation Center, 5031 W 46th Ave, Denver, CO 80212

Monday, September 27 at 11 a.m.

- Council District 7 with councilperson Jolon Clark attending
- Beginning at Close Quarters, next to the Alameda Light Rail Station

Wednesday, September 29 at 8 a.m.

- Council District 6 with councilperson Paul Kashmann attending
- Beginning at intersection of Steele and Florida

Additional tour dates will be announced with remaining council districts and at-large council members throughout October.

## ABOUT DENVER DESERVES SIDEWALKS CAMPAIGN

Sidewalk Palooza is part of the Denver Streets Partnership's <u>Denver Deserves Sidewalks</u> <u>campaign</u>.

Creating an equitable and vibrant Denver means guaranteeing that our public spaces are designed for people. Human dignity should be the guiding principle for the design of our transportation system so that everyone can thrive and connect to what matters most. That's why the Denver Streets Partnership is urgently calling on the City and County of Denver to create a comprehensive and integrated Denver sidewalk network to guarantee that all of Denver is designed to prioritize and connect people first and to reduce our dependence on cars.

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The Denver Streets Partnership is a coalition of community organizations advocating for people-friendly streets in Denver. Our mission is to reclaim Denver's streets for people walking, rolling, biking, and using transit, and to build safe, healthy, and equitable communities.

Learn more at denverstreetspartnership.org. Follow us on Facebook @DenverStreetsPartnership and Twitter @BikeWalkBus.