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Bob,

The following ordinance should be updated to state that sidewalks and curb ramps shall be constructed in accordance with the current ADA standards.

Sec. 24-4. - Street and sidewalk construction generally.

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Curbs; ramps in sidewalks at crosswalks. All new curbs which are constructed within the city, and all existing curbs which are a part of any reconstruction, shall comply with this subsection. In order to enable persons using wheelchairs to travel freely and without assistance, at each crosswalk a ramp shall be built into the curb so that the sidewalk and street blend at a common level. Such ramp shall be not less than 36 inches wide and shall not have a slope greater than one inch rise per 12 inches length (8.3 percent). In all ramps there shall be gradual rounding at the bottom of the slope. Deviations from the standards set forth in this subsection shall only be permitted where conformance to such standards is impractical or physically impossible and where methods, material and dimension used in lieu thereof do not create a hazard. Such deviations must first be submitted to the city engineer for approval or rejection based on sound engineering principles.

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