



**Ravenna City Council
Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2025**

The public meeting was held in person in Council Chambers.

Council present: Council President Rob Kairis, Amy Michael, Cheryl Wood, Matt Harper, Tyler Marovich, Tim Calfee, Christina West

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Police Chief, Jake Smallfield; Service Director, Tim Contant; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; Larry Silenius, Cliff Soudil, Cynthia Miller, Barbara Niemiller, Greg Francis, Eve Francis, Stacey Woolf

The Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M. by Matt Harper.

The first item was E-Bikes and Scooters.

Mr. Harper noted that the e-bike and scooter issue is being jointly discussed with the Public Health and Safety Committee, as it involves both Streets and Sidewalks, and updates will be brought to Council once possible changes are identified. He also raised concerns about potholes on the brick section of South Sycamore Street between Spruce and where Mill and East Riddle intersect.

Mr. Finney explained that due to the poor condition and high maintenance costs of brick streets, he proposed removing the brick and resurfacing it with asphalt, possibly leaving the tracks for historical value. He suggested adding the project to next year's paving program, noting that plowing is difficult on the uneven surface.

Mr. Harper agreed the street is in very poor condition, with many drivers avoiding it, and emphasized the need to balance preservation with safety and practicality. He said Council will seek resident feedback and consider options during next year's paving program discussions.

- The item was for discussion only.

Management Update

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

**Matt Harper, Chairperson
Streets & Sidewalks Committee**