Since October 2006, City of Novi funds were used to build over 24,000 feet of pathways and sidewalks within the City’s borders. Since its adoption in December of 2006, the City of Novi’s Pathway and Sidewalk Prioritization Analysis and Process (PSPAP) has been used as a tool to help develop the City’s sidewalk and pathway construction schedules.

The PSPAP includes a provision for an annual update which was last completed in October, 2009. During the fall of 2010, Community Development Planning Staff prepared a draft 2010 update of the PSPAP worksheets and maps for review and approval by the Walkable Novi Committee using data collected through the end of September 2010. Completed segments were identified, new segments were added, and the ranking criteria were revised for some segments. After the data was updated, all segments were assigned “tier 1” category points and then ranked by those points. The top 20 ranked segments were then assigned “tier 2” points and assigned a final ranking.

On November 18, 2010, the Walkable Novi Committee approved the 2010 PSPAP update. Both the Planning Staff and the Walkable Novi Committee continue to support the use of the PSPAP as a tool to identify near term and long term sidewalk and pathway projects. A copy of the approved PSPAP is posted on the City’s web page at:

http://www.cityofnovi.org/Community/PathwaysAndSidewalks.asp

If you have any comments or questions regarding the 2010 PSPAP update, please feel free to contact me.

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