



## **Adopt a Stair**

Silver Lake

### **Guidelines**

#### **1 / Process : How to start**

Verify stair availability by contacting the Silver Lake Green Committee at [stairs@silverlakenc.org](mailto:stairs@silverlakenc.org). If interested in adopting one of the Silver Lake Stairs, you must attend a Green Committee meeting to discuss your interest and vision. The Green Committee and our partner, the Silver Lake Improvement Association, will review your proposal.

#### **2 / Requirements**

Any one of the 52 stairways may be adopted. Agreed upon maintenance work along the adopted section should occur at least once every 3 months. For safety reasons, all work must be performed during daylight hours.

#### **3 / Maintenance**

Basic maintenance is limited to:

- Pick up and removal of litter
- Removal of weeds
- Raking of leaves
- Reporting of graffiti to SLIA (which will be referred to LA Beautification Team or Central City Action Committee).
- Reporting of any street hazards
- Irrigation of landscaped areas

Group cleanups are encouraged. Please notify the SLNC Green Committee of any organized cleanup up to 2 weeks in advance as the proper council district, CD4 or CD13, must be made aware of the event. The Council District and Department of Public Works will provide brooms, rakes, shovels, trash bags, gloves, safety vests and trash pick-up.

Water pollution is prohibited. No person shall throw, discharge or otherwise deposit, cause or permit any material to be placed into the waters of any tributary waterway. In addition, no spraying of any pesticides on any City right-of-way area will be permitted.

As a reminder, the steps are the property of the City and are City right-of-ways.

If the city's basic rules are not adhered to, the SLNC reserves the right to review the adoptee's maintenance of the steps.

On an annual basis, the Green Committee will check with the adoptee to confirm continued interest.

#### **4 / Special Projects**

All projects that modify any infrastructure or integrity of the stairway – i.e., the modification of lighting, railings, stair surface (painting and artwork) -- must be brought to the Silver Lake Green Committee for review and will be forwarded to the appropriate Council District office (CD4 or CD13) for approval. The Council District will typically ask abutting neighbors for approval. Depending on the scope of work, an irrevocable permit application may be required.

#### **5 / Identification Signs**

Silver Lake stair identification signage is available and can be added to each stairway. Stair maps will also be available through the SLNC website [www.silverlakenc.org](http://www.silverlakenc.org) for printing.

#### **6 / Events and Recognition**

Each year, with the cooperation of local organizations, an event that recognizes the adoptees and celebrates the stairways will be organized. Details to follow.