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## **VIDEO: City of Vancouver installs block-length rubber sidewalk in East Vancouver**

The City of Vancouver has installed a block long length of rubber sidewalk along the 400 Block of East 17th Avenue.

The sidewalk is made of recycled tire material, and is intended to be a sustainable alternative to concrete.

The cost of installation and materials for a rubber sidewalk are slightly higher than for traditional concrete, but in the longer term the material is often more adaptable and less liable to crack or split apart.

Installation still requires a base layer, but the difference is that concrete is poured, while rubber sidewalks are installed in modular slabs.

A few panels were installed in 2008 on West 8th Street in Vancouver, but this is the city's first attempt at installing the material across the length of a city block.

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