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SNOW REMOVAL PROCEDURES

- 1) The City's snow removal procedure this year, as in years past, is to plow the downtown area first. We try to get it plowed before the businesses open, although this is not always possible depending on when it snows. The next priority is the major collectors, school routes, and bus routes. Then we will plow the remaining residential areas. Our goal is to complete a full City plow on the first day. The following day, presuming no more snow, the City crew will be back out to do clean up. The City will not clear on-street parking areas or remove snow from private property, but we will make every effort to clear at least 10 feet of berm that may have accumulated in the Right-of-Way in front of your driveway.
- 2) On-Street Parking: City code states "It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle within six feet (6') of the normally traveled portion of any city street at any place within the residential area of the city at any time after snow has fallen, and the accumulation of snow is such that it covers said street, or in such a way as to disrupt normal snowplowing operations. Said parking restrictions shall remain in effect after the snow has ceased to fall and until snow removal operations have been completed. However, this provision shall not apply to physicians on emergency calls. (Ord. 493, 12-18-2006)"

So, if your vehicle, camper, trailer, boat, etc. is parked on a City street, make sure that it is at least 6 feet off the traveled surface. The City will do everything we can to notify owners of vehicles that are obstructing plow operations. Vehicles that impede snow plowing operations may be towed. We encourage everyone to utilize off street parking as much as possible during snow events.

- 3) Basketball Hoops & Garbage Cans: Make sure basketball hoops are removed from the City Right-of-Way for the winter. Also, garbage pickup is on either Monday or Thursday. Please try to have your carts out of the City Right-of-Way as soon as possible after collection.
- 4) Plowing Snow into City Right-of-Way: It is unlawful to plow or snow blow into the City Right-of-Way but more importantly into the travel way. Not only can it create a travel hazard for citizens, but larger berms can freeze and create plow hazards for the Public Works crew. If you are plowing a driveway, parking area or parking lot, please make sure it does not impede onto the City Street.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact City Hall. They can direct you to the appropriate person to answer your question.