

Snow and Ice Removal

The City plows after two (2) or more inches of snow have accumulated. The City does not sand streets while it is snowing as this practice is ineffective.

Plowing and Sanding Priorities:

1st - Main Street, downtown area, school bus routes and major arterials

2nd- All other City streets

3rd- Alleys in the downtown area and any alleys where a residence does not have any street frontage

4th- All other alleys will be plowed as time allows

Hours of Coverage

- Monday–Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (weather dependent) - Street Department has a full crew (6 people)
- Saturday–Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (weather dependent) - Two (2) people working
- Crewman are called in only for “emergencies” reported by the police department

Suggestions

In Residential areas - wait until the City has FINISHED plowing, and then shovel/blow sidewalk/driveway snow into yards rather than into the City streets. This way, the City will not plow snow back onto sidewalks or driveways.

In Downtown area (areas in which snow is plowed to the center of City streets) - Main Street: shovel/blow sidewalk snow onto Main Street as early as possible. This will allow the City to plow before parked cars hinder the progress of the snow plows. Most of the time, the City must wait until the following morning to plow this sidewalk snow from the parking strip.

Give the plow/sanding trucks room to work. The drivers have many things to do and to watch for. They must see where they are plowing, watch for school children, busses, pedestrians, other vehicular traffic, parked cars, R.V.'s and family pets.

Per City Municipal Code Chapter 12.12., it is unlawful to deposit any snow onto a City street or alley other than that snow removed from a public sidewalk. It is unlawful to deposit snow onto or around traffic signs or fire hydrants at any time.

Contact Information

Weekend phone Saturday & Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (509) 680-2872 or (509) 684-2244.