

# **ABERDEEN SNOW and ICE CONTROL**

**SNOW REMOVAL ALERT ANNOUNCEMENTS** issued by the Public Works Department will be made on a MINIMUM OF 2 LOCAL RADIO STATIONS prior to start of operations.

Announcements for same-day Alert will be made on a MINIMUM OF 2 LOCAL RADIO STATIONS after 6:00 a.m. and would follow City Ordinance as to time allowed for notice of the official start of operations. Local stations that have assisted with snow announcements are as follows: KNBZ FM 97.7, KBFO FM 106.7, KABD FM 107.7, KMOM FM 105.5, KSDN AM 930, KSDN FM 94.1, KGIM AM 1420 and KGIM FM 103.7.

The city's web-site **Aberdeen.sd.us**, Aberdeen American News and other electronic media will be utilized to communicate the Snow Removal Alerts if time permits. Residents can sign up to be alerted in both HTML and Plain Text under the "Notify Me" module listed under Alert Center (Alerts for Snow & Ice Control) in the City's web-site for email readers, cell phones and other devices.

## **SUCH ANNOUNCEMENTS DO NOT OVERRIDE THE AUTOMATIC 2 INCH SNOWFALL PARKING PROHIBITION ON THE DESIGNATED ARTERIAL EMERGENCY ROUTES.**

**VEHICLES PARKED or ABANDONED** on Aberdeen streets during snow removal operations are subject to being ticketed and the vehicle towed when possible. It is the Public Works Department policy to have a Police Officer and tow truck working ahead of the snow removal equipment to ticket and tow vehicles parked in violation of the SNOW REMOVAL ALERT. Vehicles that are ticketed are **fined a minimum of \$40.00**, per ordinance in effect. Those vehicles improperly parked which require towing for snow removal significantly slow down cleaning operations for the entire City.

**DOWNTOWN PARKING LOTS** are designated to be cleaned of snow the 2<sup>nd</sup> night of snow removal operations. Signs prohibiting parking will be posted in the lots at least 12 hours prior to the loading and hauling of the snow. Vehicles parked in the lots after cleanup starts will be ticketed and towed. Vehicle(s) that are ticketed are **fined a minimum of \$40.00**, per ordinance in effect.

Owners who need to locate their vehicles, which have been towed, may contact the Police Department at 626-7000, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

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**RULE OF THUMB: When the snowfall starts it's always a good idea to not park on posted Emergency Routes, or the north-south streets, or the outlying additions: ie See Zone 3; as those are the first to be done during snow removal operations east-west avenues in Zone 2 will follow. Please don't guess, ask us.**

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**SIDEWALK RULES:** Snow and ice on sidewalks adjoining your property must be removed **within 48** hours of the snowfall end. **It is against City Ordinance to shovel or blow snow onto any street or public property. If your sidewalks are not cleared you may be subject to a fine of UP to \$100.** When snow removal alerts are announced residents may want to wait until the streets are cleared before removing snow from sidewalks in order to avoid cleaning them twice except for Zone 1.

**PROBLEMS, QUESTIONS, OR REQUESTS** may be directed to the Public Works Department at 626-7010. We will do our best to help. Thank you.

## **CALL 626-7010 AFTER 5PM & ON WEEKENDS FOR VOICE MAIL MESSAGE**

The City of Aberdeen Public Works Department has designated several streets and avenues as "Emergency Snow Routes". These streets and avenues are the first priority for snow and ice control because of factors like high volume, high speed, commercial districts and streets that serve hospitals and schools.

### **WHEN EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES ARE IN EFFECT:**

#### **"PARKING REGULATIONS"**

When a heavy snowstorm or high winds are forecast or in evidence, the City Engineer/Public Works Director (or designated representative) will declare a SNOW REMOVAL ALERT. At that time, parking restrictions will go into effect.

The **ARTERIAL EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES**, which would be included in the alert, do not need a declaration of a Snow Removal Alert prior to ticketing and towing. The streets and avenues posted as SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTE – TOW AWAY ZONE automatically prohibits parking when the snowfall has reached an accumulation of 2 inches.

The **COMMERCIAL ZONE EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTE** will be included in the SNOW REMOVAL ALERT and is normally done during night-time operations. Refer to the map on the reverse side for the "Commercial Zone" (Zone 1)

**OTHER STREETS AND AVENUES** will be cleared according to Public Works policy as follows: all North-South Streets and connected cul-de-sacs in Zone 2 and all streets and avenues in Zone 3 beginning at 7:00 a.m.;

East-West Avenues in Zone 2 will be cleared beginning at 1:00 p.m. the same day. (See the legend on the front of the Map for prohibited Parking Times for the City's three specific zones).

**ALLEYS** will be plowed as needed only after all street and avenues have been throughout the city.

**FULLY PLOWED** After a street is fully plowed to the curb, feel free to park on this street, even if Snow Emergency parking rules are still in effect. Fully plowed means the street is completely cleared and plowed as close to the curb as possible. Plows may come through more than once, so make sure that a street is fully plowed as close to the curb as possible before parking.

**THE SNOW AND ICE FIGHTING FLEET FOR STREET AND ALLEY PLOWING CONSIST OF THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF CITY CREWS AND LOCAL PRIVATE CONTRACTORS.**