

City of West Des Moines

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL MANUAL





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The City of West Des Moines is preparing to provide standard-setting snow removal services for our community this winter. We developed this Snow and Ice Control Manual to help us continually refine our snow and ice removal program.

The public depends upon the use of streets and highways during all types of weather related events. When the transportation system is shut down or the capacity is reduced, there are typically severe impacts. The public also utilizes public buildings, sidewalks and trails during and after storm events. Accidents due to snow and ice can result in property damage, personal injuries, and fatalities. Weather delays and inconveniences also play a role in driver attitudes and quality of life.

Included in the Manual are guidelines and instructions for carrying out the snow and ice control program for the City of West Des Moines. For more detailed information concerning our snow-fighting program, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Bret Hodne

Director of Public Services

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SNOW AND ICE CONTROL PROCEDURES

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The purpose of this Snow and Ice Control Manual is to establish the City's policy and level of service in respect to the management of snow or ice and maintenance of its road system during the winter months. It will also serve as a practical guide for cost effective snow removal operations in the City of West Des Moines. This Manual supersedes all previously written policies of the City on snow and ice control operations.

1. IMPLEMENTATION

This Manual will be in effect during normal winter operations at times when weather conditions could cause accumulation of frost, sleet, ice, snow or other occurrences on the streets and public parking lots of the City of West Des Moines.

2. **DEFINITION OF SUPERVISOR**

When "Supervisor" is used in this Manual it is defined as the person who is on duty at that time directing the snow/ice removal operations for the City. These individuals include: Director of Public Services, Deputy Public Services Director, Public Services Superintendent, Public Services Managers, and/or any other individual who may be assigned the responsibility of Supervisor.

3. WEATHER FORECASTING

Weather information is essential for good planning of snow and ice control operations and other weather-related emergencies. An effective weather service must provide critical information about the storm sufficiently in advance so that plans and preparations can be made.

The City will utilize the services of a professional weather forecasting service during the snow and ice season. This service will provide information to the City to help determine what impact present and forthcoming weather will have on overall operations. They will also provide the City with on-screen tracking of weather systems and data from the Iowa Department of Transportation roadway weather information stations at various locations throughout the State.

4. MONITORING AND NOTIFICATION OF ICE AND SNOW ACTIVITY

City staff will monitor anticipated inclement weather. During significant storm events, departments will coordinate with each other regarding event intensity and winter maintenance procedures.

During off-duty hours, weekends and holidays, the on-call Supervisor, Police Department, and our contract weather service provider will monitor weather and road conditions. In the event of inclement weather, the on-call Supervisor will initiate the appropriate response action.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

All operators of snow and ice control equipment will keep in communication with the applicable Supervisor or Dispatcher at all times.

The Supervisor or Dispatcher on duty will be the main line of communication between applicable City staff and the Police Department. The Police Department will assist in advising the Supervisor or Dispatcher with regards to current road conditions. It will be the sole responsibility of the applicable Supervisor to direct the winter maintenance operations for the City of West Des Moines.

Media notifications of emergency parking bans, snow emergency declarations, road closures, and other contact for inquiries regarding road conditions will be made by the Public Services Department.

6. CITIZEN INQUIRIES

All citizen issues concerning snow and ice control efforts will be routed to the Public Services Department. The Supervisor will determine appropriate follow-up responses to citizen inquiries.

7. INTERSECTION RIGHTS-OF-WAY

After periods of extraordinary snow events, the City may elect to haul snow from designated intersection rights-of-way to minimize sight obstructions. The decision to initiate this operation will be dependent upon the depth and accumulation of snow and analysis by the Public Services Department for any significant sight triangle issues. Operational priorities will be assigned to intersections based on street classification, traffic volumes and severity of sight restrictions. Snow will only be removed from intersections where a public street intersects with another public street. This operation will typically be conducted after other higher priority post storm activities have been completed. Under normal circumstances, hauling of the snow will be conducted during regular work hours. Snow removal from the rights-of-way into private property driveways will be the responsibility of the adjacent private property owner.

8. BOUNDARY STREET JURISDICTION AND RESPONSIBILITY

The following table outlines the responsible each agency has to roads bordering West Des Moines corporate limits. The agencies listed below have first response maintenance responsibility to these roads. If West Des Moines has its snow routes open and serious problems remain on the boundary streets, West Des Moines snow plows may assist based upon the judgment of the Supervisor on duty, with the exception of Interstate roadways.

Street Segment	Responsibility	Telephone No.
S. 1st St. (63rd St.) (Hwy 28) - Walnut Creek to SW Connector	IDOT	265-0310
S. 1st St - cul-de-sac. to Army Post Rd.	West Des Moines	222-3480
University Ave. – 22nd St. to West Corporate Limits of Clive	Clive	223-6231
University Ave. – East Corporate Limits of Clive to 98th Street	Waukee	249-1212
Booneville Rd. – Grand Ave to West Corporate Limits of West Des Moines (South 115th)	West Des Moines	222-3480
98th St. – Ashworth Rd. to University Ave	Waukee	249-1212
105 th – Wendover North to Ashworth	Waukee	249-1212
Mills Civic Pkwy – S. Jordan Creek Parkway to Wendover Road	West Des Moines	222-3480
County Line Rd. – S. 20th St. to S. 5th St.	West Des Moines	222-3480
S. 20 th St. (Hwy R45) – S. County Line Rd. to Adams Street	West Des Moines	222-3480
Adams St. – S. 20 th St. (Hwy R45) to S. 35 th	West Des Moines	222-3480
S. 35 th – Adams to Cumming City limits.	West Des Moines	222-3480
Ashworth Rd. – Jordan Creek Parkway to 98th St.	West Des Moines	222-3480
Pine Ave./SW 72nd Ave. – I-35 to West Corporate Limits of West Des Moines	West Des Moines	222-3480
Willow Creek - North and South of Pine.	West Des Moines	222-3480
S. 50th St. (Polk County SW 112th St.) - Pine Avenue to Warren County Line	West Des Moines	222-3480
SW Maffitt Lake Road. – North of SW 72nd Avenue	West Des Moines	222-3480
88 th Street – Ashworth Rd. to Booneville Rd.	West Des Moines	222-3480
Windsor Court – Raccoon River Dr. North to end of Street	West Des Moines	222-3480
Xavier - Booneville to Raccoon River Dr.	West Des Moines	222-3480
Raccoon River Dr. – Grand Ave to R-22	West Des Moines	222-3480
Center Street from 8th St. to approx. 550' East of Hoak Drive	West Des Moines	222-3480

9. PRIORITIES FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL OPERATIONS

In order to make the most efficient use of available resources, we have established priorities using the assumption that the severity of a storm is not beyond the normal capabilities of the City's snow removal resources. Depending on the nature of the snowstorm, deviations could occur. The established priorities are as follows:

Arterials Streets 1st Priority

All Improved Streets/

City Facility Parking Lots 2nd Priority

All Unimproved Roads/Alleys/Trails 3rd Priority

10. EMERGENCIES

Emergencies are defined as follows, but not necessarily limited to:

- 1. Immediate need for Police, Fire and/or Emergency Medical assistance. If City emergency personnel must leave the public right-of-way to respond to an emergency, snow removal crews may provide necessary assistance such as opening a driveway or parking area to give access to them.
- 2. Isolated problem areas where access is urgently needed before all other areas are handled.
- 3. Icy conditions due to a water main break or clearing of streets due to debris blocking streets or access.

11. ICE CONTROL PROCEDURES

The objective of ice control is to provide a safe pavement surface for vehicular traffic by attempting to prevent a build-up of snow and ice on the pavement. Ice control also includes attempting to remove any build-up that may occur. This is typically done with the utilization of mechanical snow removal equipment and deicer products.

The City may also apply liquid chemical deicers on designated streets prior to, and during storm conditions, to prevent the bonding of snow and ice to the pavement. This activity is known as anti-icing. The effectiveness of deicers used in this process is directly related to pavement temperatures. Based upon conditions, Supervisors will have discretion as to when to implement this activity and the deicer products which may be utilized.

The City will apply ice control materials in accordance with their recommended use. Application rates and locations may vary depending upon the type of storm. The Supervisor will have discretion as to what materials are used and when they are applied.

12. USE OF SALT AND ABRASIVE MATERIALS

The City will typically use rock salt for deicing applications. However, under certain conditions it may be desirable to also utilize abrasives when pavement temperatures inhibit the melting action of rock salt. While abrasives do not have the ability to melt snow and ice, they may be utilized to provide traction in certain conditions. Due to the high overall cost of using abrasives and the associated environmental impacts, supervisory discretion will be used to determine if and when conditions are appropriate for applications.

Utilizing salt, pre-wetted with liquid deicer products offers several advantages over non-treated rock salt. Expediting the melting process; the ability to melt at lower pavement temperatures, reduction in overall application rates and less material waste are just a few of the attributes associated with pre-wetting rock salt. Based upon conditions, Supervisors will have discretion as to what deicer materials are used during a respective storm event.

13. SNOW CONTROL PROCEDURES

The depth and timing of snow accumulation, weather forecasts and traffic volumes, will normally dictate when snow plowing operations will begin. Plowing will take place during a storm as needed in an attempt to keep the accumulation on the pavement surface less than desired guidelines.

Snow plowing operations will be carried out in accordance with the guidelines established for the various street classifications as set forth in the Snow Manual. Such plowing operations may often times be done in conjunction with ice control activities.

Typically on major snow routes, plow trucks will operate in teams. Team plowing may consist of two or more plows operating together to provide for the removal of snow from the street between the centerline and the curb line in one pass. This eliminates the need to make repeated passes to plow the streets to the curb line. On local residential streets when only one snow plow unit is used, it may be necessary to make two or more passes in each direction to completely clear the street of accumulated snow.

If weather forecasts indicate a significant increase in pavement temperatures during or after a storm event, supervisors will have discretion regarding plowing and/or deicer applications. If forecasts indicate that the snow and/or ice will dissipate in a time period deemed reasonable by the Public Services Director or their designee, applicable procedures will be implemented. With the environmental and budgetary impacts of deicers, informed decisions and practices need to be utilized in the City of West Des Moines operational plan.

14. SNOW FENCE

The Department of Public Services may elect to place snow fence where it could potentially minimize blowing snow from accumulating on the road surface. Snow fence will be placed on private property only with mutual consent between the property owner and the City. The City will have sole discretion as to when and where to place snow fence.

15. EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

The primary equipment available to remove snow and ice will be supplied by the City and/or its contractors.

16. MANPOWER AVAILABLE

The primary staffing for snow removal and ice control will be supplied by Public Services. During major events, personnel from other City departments and contractors may be utilized to assist with snow and ice removal efforts.

17. TYPE OF EQUIPMENT

The City utilizes many different types of equipment during snow and ice control operations. The equipment utilized is chosen to fit the job that must be performed at that time.

For snow plowing activities the City typically utilizes reversible plows, "V" plows, "under body" plows, as well as plows mounted on front end loaders. In addition, the City utilizes wing plows for more efficient and effective plowing operations. For blowing or physical removal of snow, the City utilizes snow blowers mounted on end loaders and tractors which can load snow directly into dump trucks or place it on adjacent right-of-way or private property.

18. EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

As in all maintenance operations, successful snow and ice control depends upon the skillful use of manpower, personnel, equipment, and material. The efficient and economical control of ice and snow depends on the availability and use of the proper equipment. This availability does not just happen. It involves a well-planned program that is in progress during each season of the year. It also includes a program of routine inspection, maintenance, and repair of equipment utilized in snow removal operations. As such, the City will typically schedule a mechanic to be on duty in its shop located at the Public Services Facility whenever the 12-hour shift assignments go into effect. In addition, it may be necessary to have mechanics on duty at other times. Such determination will be made by the Fleet Manager or Supervisor on duty at the time.

19. TOWING VEHICLES ILLEGALLY PARKED – DECLARATION EMERGENCY PARKING BAN

Cars parked on the streets during a snow removal effort may be ticketed and/or towed away in accordance with Section 6-6-7 Snow Removal and Section 6-2-3-6c Impounding Vehicles Snow Removal of the City Code dated 2004 as amended. A snow emergency parking ban may be declared by the Director of Public Services or the Director's designee. The Police Department and media will be notified when the parking ban is initiated.

20. SIDEWALK – PRIVATE RESPONSIBILITY

All sidewalks adjacent to private property are the responsibility of the property owner. The City's responsibility is to plow the streets and keep them open to traffic. Due to the location of some sidewalks and the volume of snow being moved off of the streets, there may be occurrences when plowing operations may deposit significant amounts of snow onto the sidewalks. When this occurs, it is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner to remove all snow from the sidewalk. All complaint calls about sidewalks not being cleared will be routed to the Police Department for complaint follow-up and code enforcement.

21. DRIVEWAYS – PRIVATE

City snow plows will not clear private driveways except under emergency conditions and with the approval of the Supervisor on duty. The snow placed in driveways by City plows is the responsibility of the property owner to remove. Snow from a private driveway may not be placed on or pushed across a City Street in accordance with Section 7-1-4C "Dumping of Snow" of the City Code dated 1993 as amended.

22. PLOWING PRIVATE PROPERTY

The City will not plow or clear snow or ice from private property unless it must be done to allow emergency vehicles access to private property for Fire, Police, or EMS calls.

23 MAILBOXES

The City will typically plow snow within the confines of curb line to curb line of a street. During frequent periods of heavy snowfall accumulations when storage areas for snow on the right-of-way are limited, there may be times when City plows cannot physically place the snow from the curb line of the street up onto the adjacent City right-of-way. The adjacent resident will be responsible for cleaning snow around their mailbox to assure delivery of mail. The resident is also responsible for assuring that the mailbox is properly installed as required by the United States Postal Service Guidelines. This requires the face of the mailbox to be installed 6" behind the back of the curb and it should be constructed to be able to withstand snow cleaning efforts by the City. During preliminary routine inspections, City staff will typically notify citizens when potential problems are observed with the location or if improvements to the structural integrity of their mailboxes need to be made prior to winter plowing operations. It will be the responsibility of the residents to properly relocate or improve the structural integrity of the mailbox prior to winter plowing operations. The City will document the mailbox locations that have been tagged for improvements. The City will not be responsible for damage to mailboxes which have not been relocated or repaired after the notification has occurred.

24. REPORTS

A storm record will be completed by the Department of Public Services for each snow event. This record should contain operating times, weather conditions, and resources committed.

25. DISCLAIMER

This Manual may be affected by at least one or more of the following events which could delay or alter snow and ice control by the City:

- 1. Equipment breakdown
- 2. Vehicles disabled in deep snow.
- 3. Weather so severe as to cause work to be stopped for the safety of all personnel.
- 4. Unforeseen conditions and emergencies.
- 5. Significant medical related emergencies.

26. DISTRIBUTION OF MANUAL

This Manual shall be distributed to the following:

- 1. Mayor and City Council
 - Mayor: Steven Gaer
 - Council: Kevin Trevillyan, Russ Trimble, Jim Sandager, John Mickelson, Rick Messerschmidt
- 2. City Manager
 - Tom Hadden
- 3. Public Services Director
 - Bret Hodne
- 4. City Attorney
 - Richard (Dick) Scieszinski
- 5. Assistant City Attorneys'
 - Jason Wittgraf
 - Greta Truman
- 6. Public Services Supervisors'
 - Mike Coughlon, Rick Knowles, Ron Wiese, Gary Rank, Kevin Hensley, Rian Rasmussen, Brian Fowler, John Olds
- 7. Interim Chief of Police
 - Jim Barrett
- 8. Director of Parks and Recreation
 - Sally Ortgies
- 9. Superintendent of Parks and Recreation
 - Dave Sadler
- 10. Fire Chief
 - Craig Leu
- 11. Community Compliance Division
 - Joe Cory
- 12. City Clerk
 - Ryan Jacobson
- 13. EMS/WestCom Chief
 - Jeff Dumermuth
- 14. Finance
 - Maureen Richmond
 - Katie Johnson
- 15. Communication Specialist
 - Lucinda Stephenson

12-HOUR SHIFT SCHEDULE

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12 HOUR SHIFT SCHEDULE

NOTE:

1. SNOW SHIFTS WILL BE FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M., AND 8:00 P.M. TO 8:00 A.M.

2. <u>IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY STORM DURING SHIFT CHANGE, THE EXISTING SHIFT ARRANGEMENT WILL HOLD UNTIL SNOW IS REMOVED.</u>

DATES	TIME	DAY SHIFT	NIGHT SHIFT	NIGHT MECHANIC
Monday, September 18 thru Sunday, October 8	3 weeks	2	1	Tommy
Monday, October 9 thru Sunday, October 29	3 weeks	1	2	Chris
Monday, October 30 thru Sunday, November 19	3 weeks	2	1	Ed
Monday, November 20 thru Sunday, December 10	3 weeks	1	2	Tommy
Monday, December 11 thru Sunday, December 31	3 weeks	2	1	Chris
Monday, January 1 thru Sunday, January 21	3 weeks	1	2	Ed
Monday, January 22 thru Sunday, February 11	3 weeks	2	1	Tommy
Monday, February 12 thru Sunday, March 4	3 weeks	1	2	Chris
Monday, March 5 thru Sunday, March 25	3 weeks	2	1	Ed
Monday, March 26 thru Sunday, April 15	3 weeks	1	2	Tommy
Monday, April 16 thru Sunday, May 7	3 weeks	2	1	Chris

If snow/ice conditions are developing at a time other than regular business hours, contact the on-call supervisor through the Operations emergency cell at 650-7555. If there is no response after 10 minutes, use the following numbers to contact a Shift Supervisor:

	Cell		Cell
Kevin Hensley	515-468-3094	Brian Fowler	515-202-5177
Ron Wiese	515-473-0674	John Olds	515-608-2213
Mike Coughlon	515-419-1544		
Rick Knowles	515-240-2359		

USE OF ABRASIVES AND CHEMICALS

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RECOMMENDED USE OF DEICERS

Pavement Temperature	Type of Precipitation	Road Surface Condition	Plow	Salt/Deicers
Near 30°	Sleet/Freezing Rain Snow	Wet Pavement/Icing Slush	No Yes	In most cases (Supervisor Discretion) In some cases (Supervisor Discretion)
20° - 30°	Sleet/Snow	Slush/ Snow	Yes	In most cases (Supervisor Discretion)
15° - 20°	Snow	Dry Pavement/Slick Areas	Yes Yes	In most cases (Supervisor Discretion)
Below 15°	Snow	Dry Pavement	Yes	Supervisor discretion. May cause additional accumulations on some pavement surfaces.

GUIDELINES FOR STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

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SNOW PLOWING GUIDELINES FOR STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Classification		Which Plowing Will Begin	Full Pavement Width that Typically will be Cleared
	Desirable Maximum		After Ending of Storm
Major Snow Routes	*1"	*3"	*4 hours
Collector Streets Priority Routes	*1"	*4"	*8 hours
Improved Streets	*1"	*4"	*16 hours
Unimproved Streets/Alleys	*2''	*6"	*24 hours

^{*}The snow depths for plowing listed above are guidelines and may not be adhered to for each storm event. The Public Services Director and/or Supervisor will have discretion based upon current and forecasted weather and pavement conditions.

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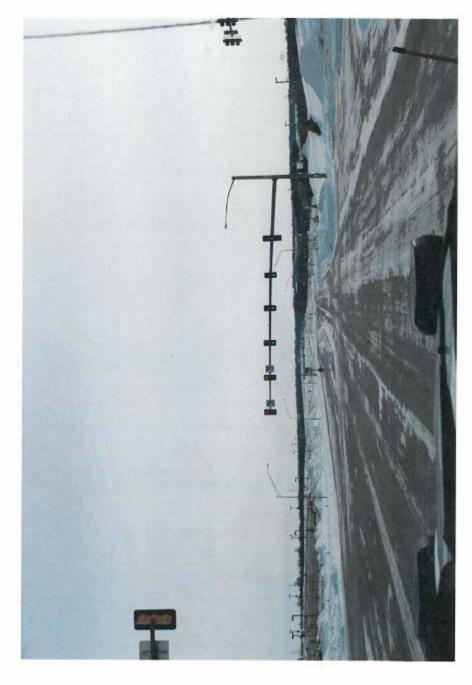
LEVEL OF SERVICE GOALS FOR CITY STREETS

LEVELS OF SERVICE DETERMINATION

In an effort to promote operational awareness, levels of service goals have been established for the various street classifications within the City's jurisdiction. While these goals have been developed by the City based on various types of criteria, they are primarily defined for the benefit of the employees who have responsibility for performing the maintenance duties associated with snow and ice events throughout the winter.

Factors such as service level expectations, responsible use of deicer chemicals, road safety and budgetary considerations are just some of the criteria considered in the development of these goals. While the agency will strive to meet these goals, it is important to understand that the time it may take to achieve them will be dependent upon weather conditions and other factors that may be outside the control of the City.

Major Arterial Street (Significant Portion of Pavement is Bare)



Collector Street

(Some Bare Pavement – Focus on Wheel Paths)

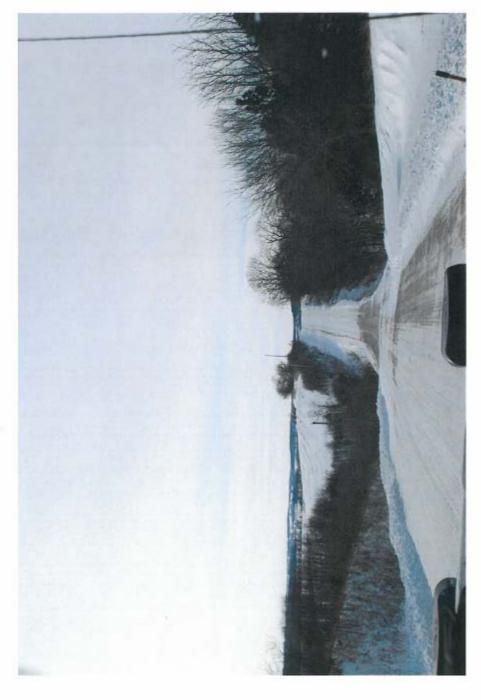


Residential Street

(Streets will have residual snow – minimal bare pavement) (Deicers will primarily be utilized on steep hills and intersections)



Unimproved Street



ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT STAFF ASSIGNMENT

SUPERVISOR PAGER SCHEDULE October 2017 – May 2018

October 2017									
	M	T	\mathbf{W}	Th	F	Sat	Sun		
Mike							1		
Rick	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
John	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		
Ron	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
Brian	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		
Mike	30	31							

December 2017										
	M T W Th F Sat Sun									
Brian					1	2	3			
Mike	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
Rick	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			
John	18	19	20	21	22	23	24			
Ron	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			

February 2018											
M T W Th F Sat Sun											
Ron				1	2	3	4				
Brian	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
Mike	12	13	14	15	16	17	18				
Rick	19	20	21	22	23	24	25				
John	26	27	28								

April 2018											
	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun				
Rick							1				
John	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
Ron	9	10	11	12	13	14	15				
Brian	16	17	18	19	20	21	22				
Mike	23	24	25	26	27	28	29				
Rick	30										

November 2017										
	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun			
Mike			1	2	3	4	5			
Rick	4	7	8	9	10	11	12			
John	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
Ron	20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
Brian	27	28	29	30						

January 2018											
	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun				
Brian	1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
Mike	8	9	10	11	12	13	14				
Rick	15	16	17	18	19	20	21				
John	22	23	24	25	26	27	28				
Ron	29	30	31								

March 2018							
	M	Т	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun
John				1	2	3	4
Ron	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Brian	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mike	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rick	26	27	28	29	30	31	

May 2018							
	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun
Rick		1	2	3	4	5	6
John	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Ron	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Brian	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Mike	28	29	30	31			

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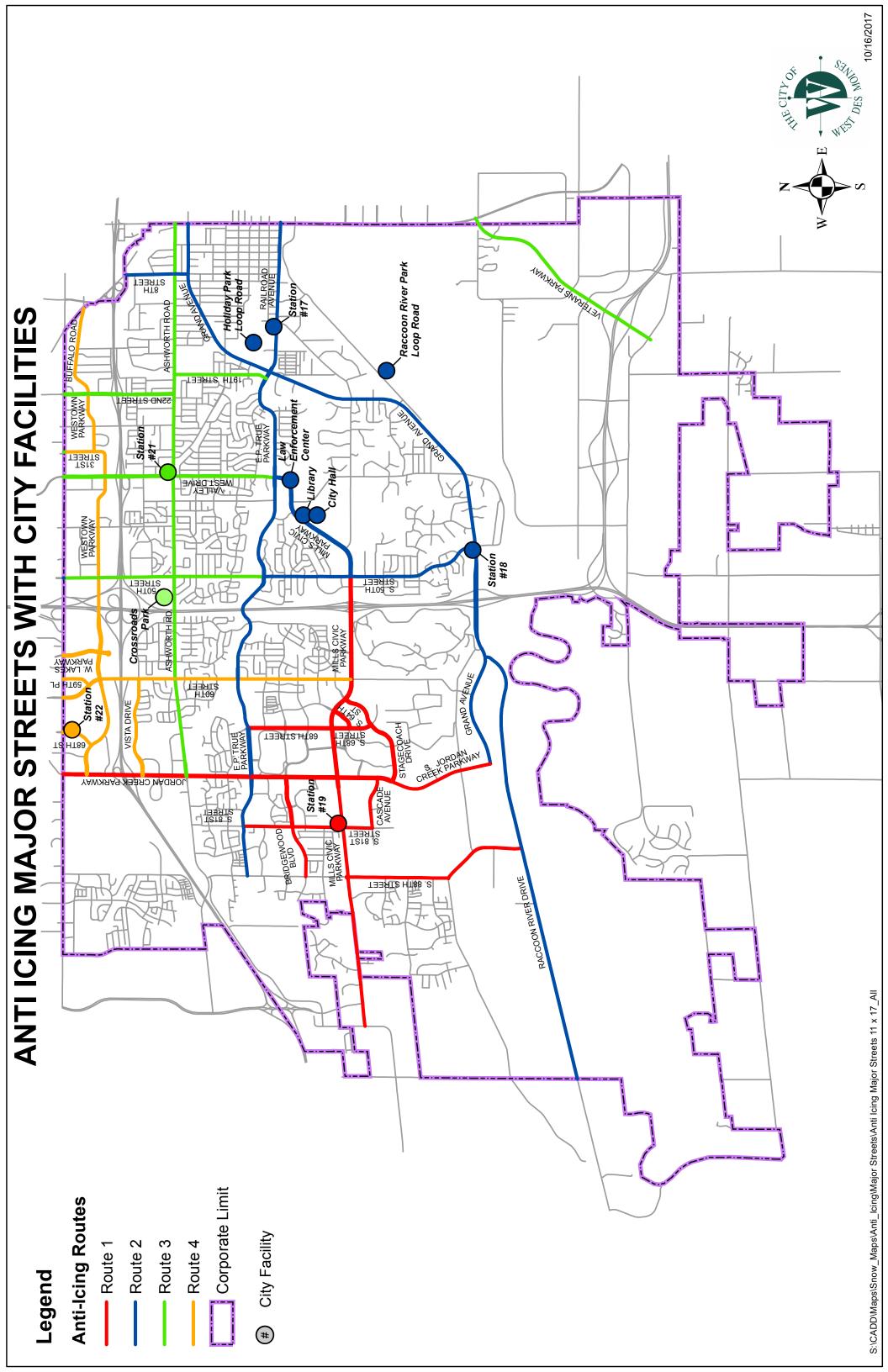
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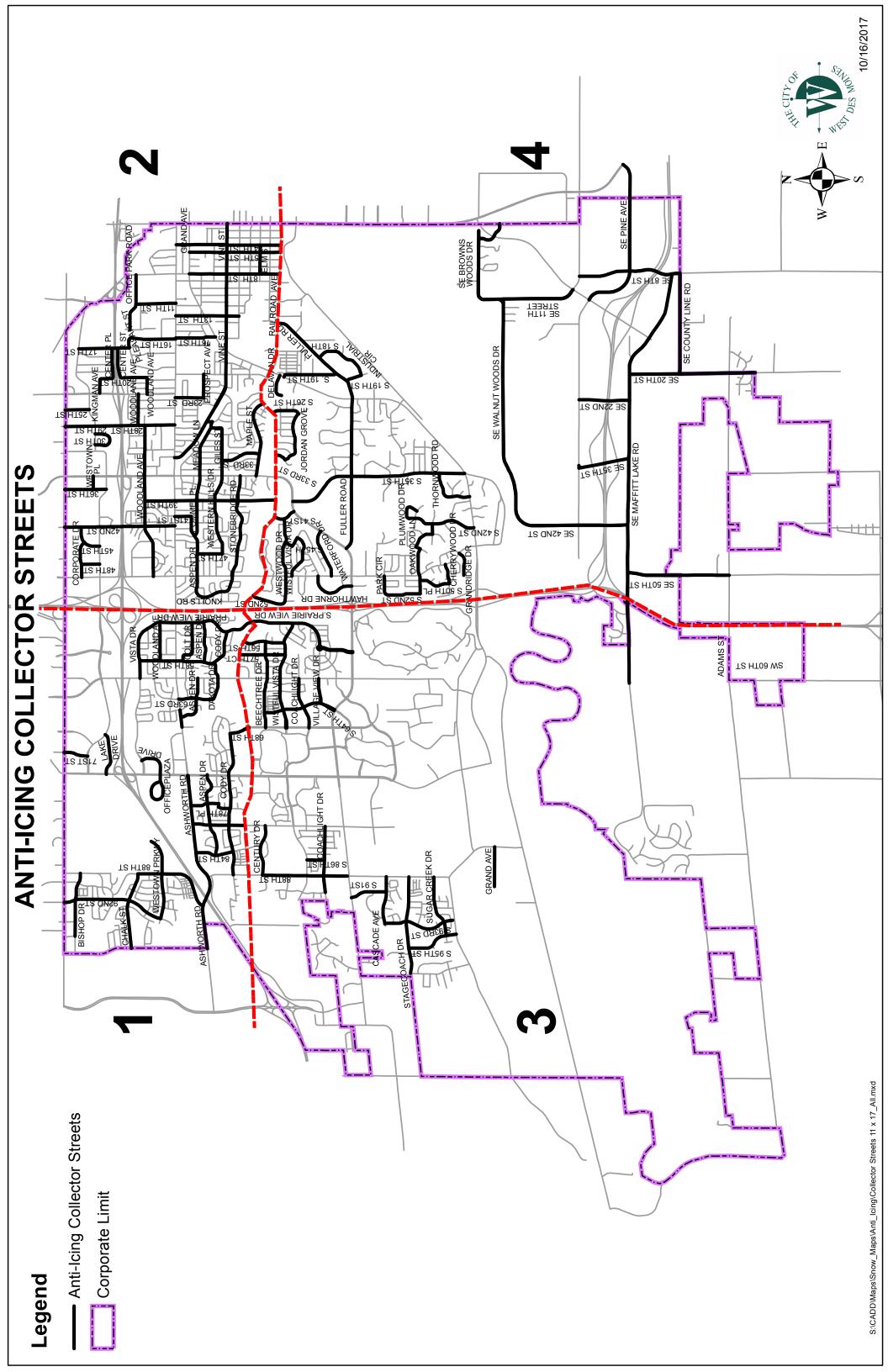
Mechanic	Per Schedule
Phone/Radio Dispatch (4:00am-4:00pm)	Alice Barrett
Phone/Radio Dispatch (7:30am-8:00pm)	Kim Pinegar
Phone/Radio Dispatch (Alternate)	Peggy Englehart

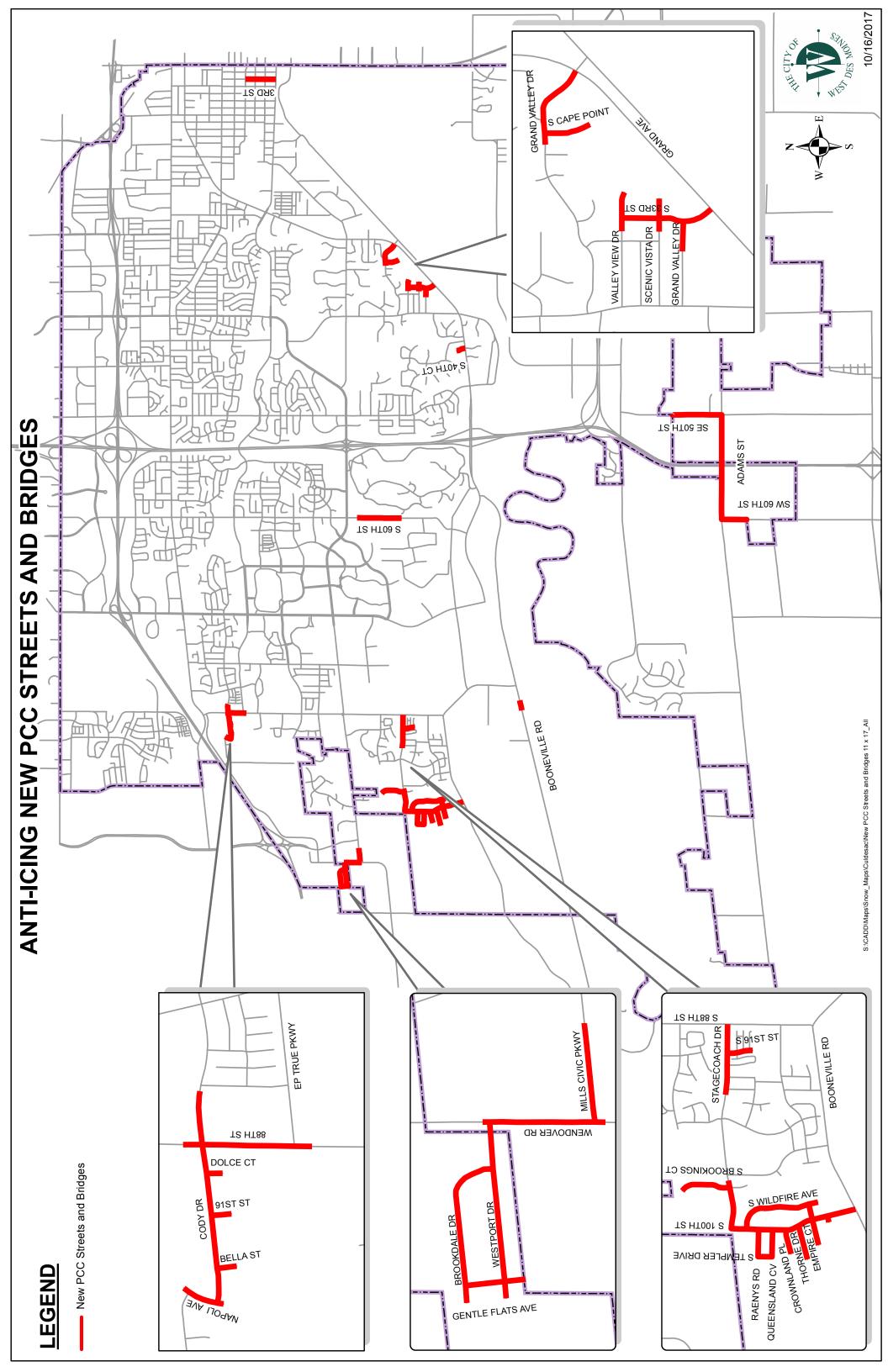
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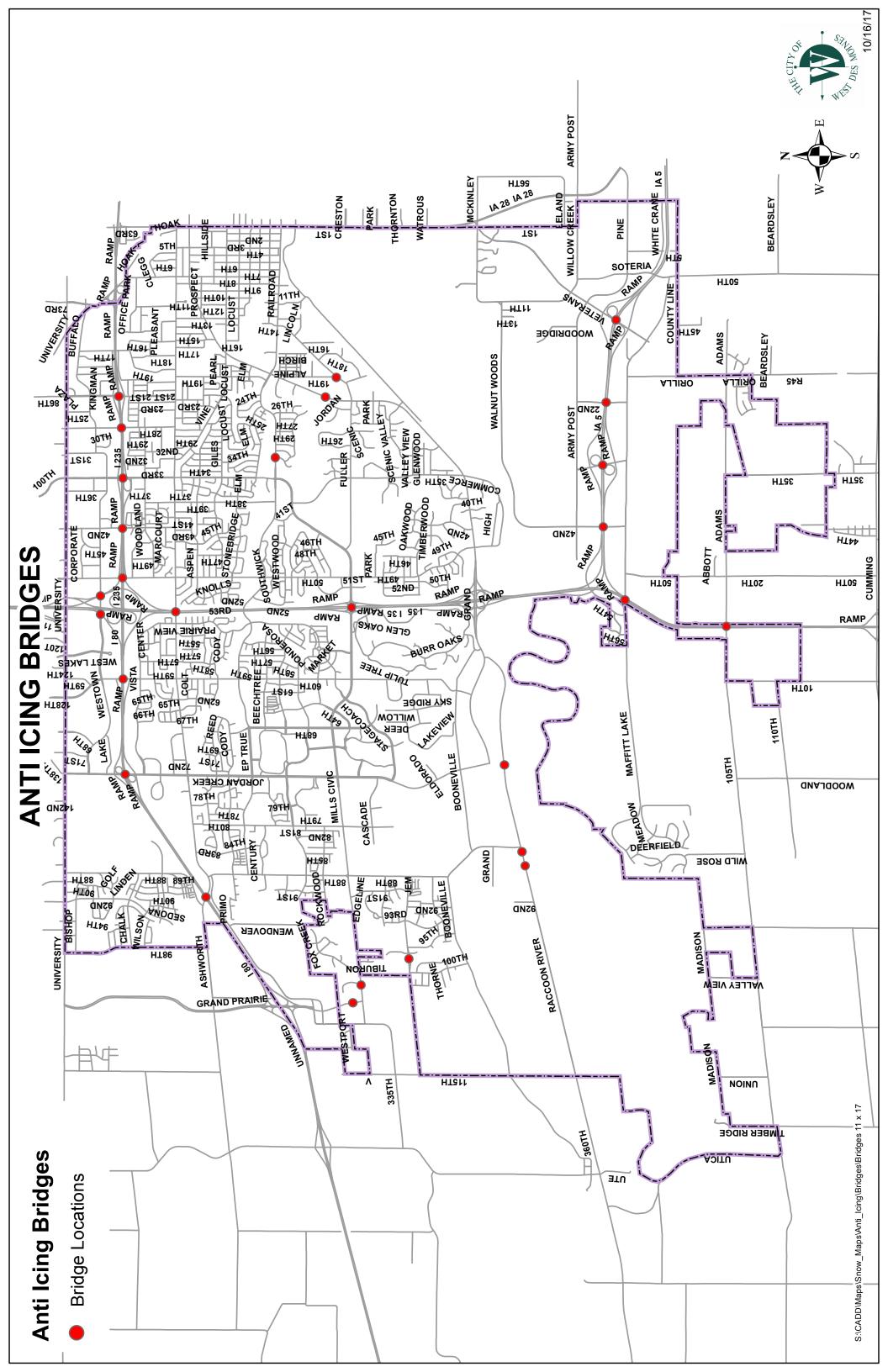
ANTI-ICING OPERATORS

DRIVER/License Class			
Larry Laughridge	A		
Mark Adair	A		
Brian Crnkovich	A		
Wayne Barrett	A		
Trevor Bindel	A		
Nathan Headley	A		
Mike Neuman	В		
Kevin Hershberger	A		
Matt Dolan	A		
Brian Snyder	A		
Beav McDaniel	A		
Jeff Sherman	A		
Robb McMahon	В		
Mike Hiatt	A		
Eric Goode	A		









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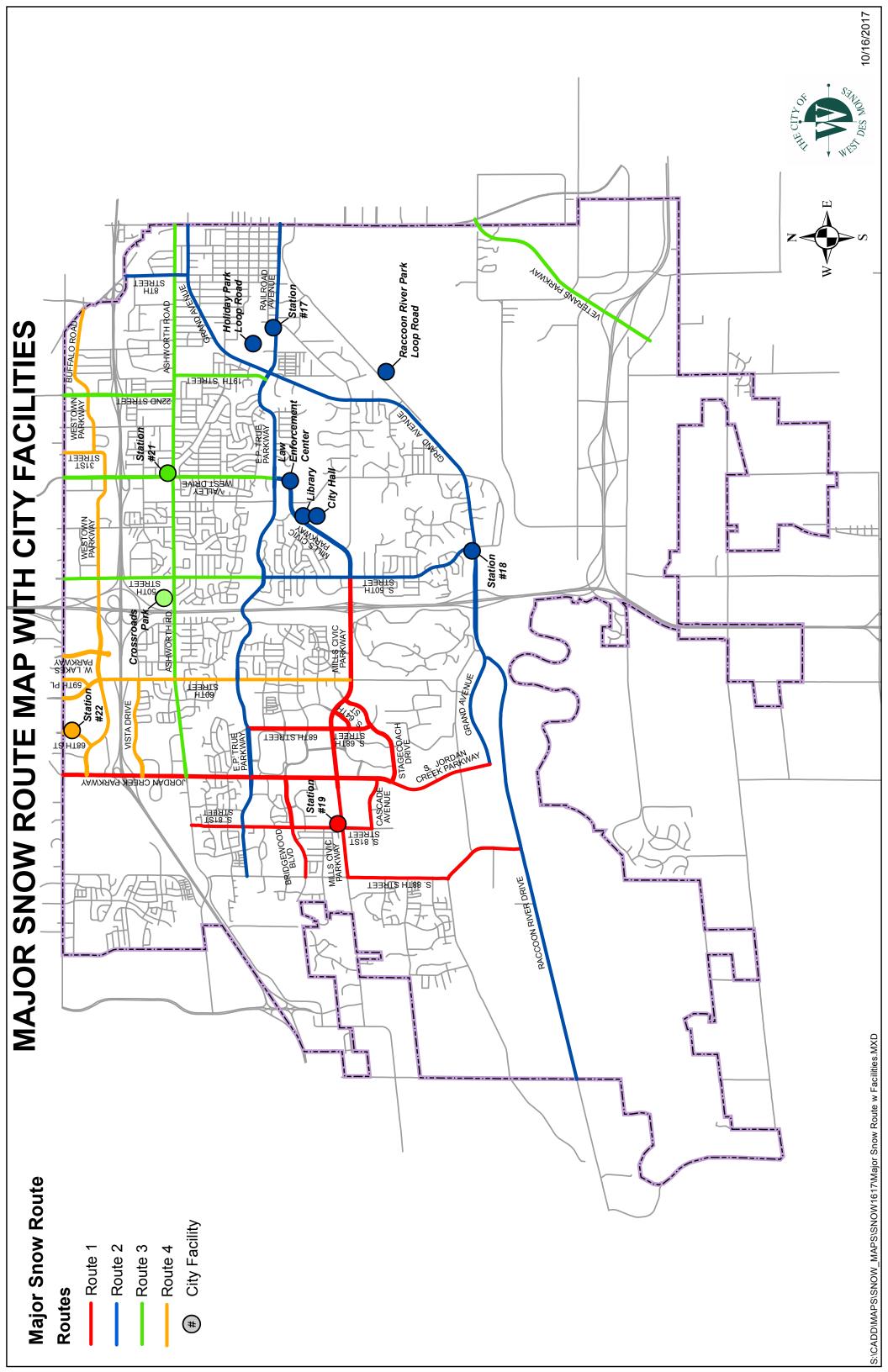
SHIFT 1 ASSIGNMENTS

ROUTE	VEH#	DRIVER	VEHICLE TYPE
1-1	333	Trevor Bindel	Motor Grader w/ Wing
1-2	323	Chad Gillespie	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-3A	324	Brian Crnkovich	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-4	343	Derek Muche	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-5	390/316	Larry Laughridge	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-6A	339	Tim Schneider	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-1	340	Wayne Barrett	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-2	341	Jon Jorgensen	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-3A	329	Chris Schinckel	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-4A	319	Allen Brown	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-5	320	Dan George	4 Wheel Drive 1 Ton w/ Plow
3-1	342	Brad Hughes	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-2	315	Eric Goode	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-3	354	Nathan Geil	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-4	372	Fay Beals	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-5	337	TBD	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-1	318	Mike Neuman	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-2	338	Mark Adair	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-3	321	Mark Smith	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-4	325	Jon Keimig	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-5	485	Al Wise	4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/ Plow
Alternate		Josh Reynolds Bob Crowdes	4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/ Plow 4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/ Plow
Operators		Kelly Sand Scott Thomas Randy Cox	4 Wheel Drive ³ / ₄ Ton w/ Plow

MAJOR SNOW PLOWING ROUTES

SHIFT 2 ASSIGNMENTS

ROUTE	VEH#	DRIVER	VEHICLE TYPE
1-1	333	Matt Dolan	Motor Grader w/ Wing
1-2	323	Brian Snyder	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-3A	324	Kevin Hershberger	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-4	343	Michael Hagen	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-5	390/316	Beav McDaniel	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
1-6A	339	Don Tuel	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-1	340	Jon Thill	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-2	341	Jeff Munsinger	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-3A	325	Luke Quinn	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-4A	319	Tony Hawbaker	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
2-5	320	Sam Wyman	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-1	342	Keith Licht	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-2	315	Jeff Sherman	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-3	354	Robb McMahon	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
3-4	372	Mark Lampe	4 Wheel Drive 1 Ton w/Plow
3-5	337	TBD	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-1	318	Nathan Headley	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-2	338	Mike Hiatt	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-3	321	Laramie Sandbulte	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-4	329	Jeff Munsinger	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing
4-5	485	DeeAnn Fredericks	4 Wheel Drive ³ / ₄ Ton w/Plow
Alternate Operators		Josh Reynolds Bob Crowdes Kelly Sand Scott Thomas Randy Cox	4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/Plow 4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/Plow 4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/ Plow



RESIDENTIAL PLOWING/ICE CONTROL ZONES

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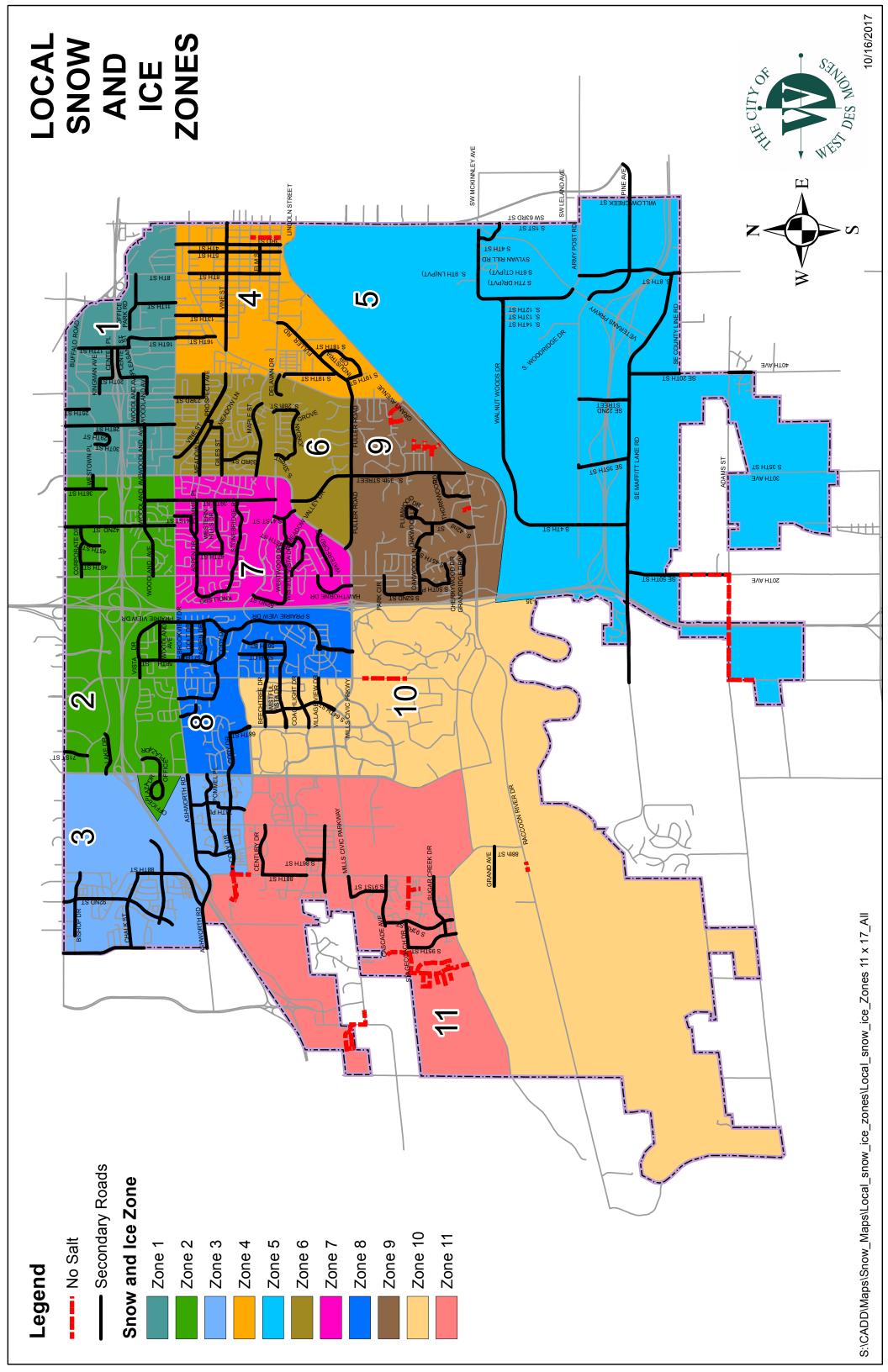
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ZONE	TRUCK	DRIVER	ТҮРЕ	
1	354	Nathan Geil	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
2	342	Brad Hughes	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
3	318	Mike Neuman	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
4	341	Jon Jorgensen	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
5	315	Eric Goode	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
6	340	Wayne Barrett	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
7	329	Chris Schinckel	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
8	339	Tim Schneider	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
9	343	Derek Muche	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
10	324	Brian Crnkovich	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
11	323	Chad Gillespie	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
Unimproved	333	Trevor Bindel	Grader w/ Wing Plow	
Rover	390/316	Larry Laughridge	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
Rover	338	Mark Adair	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing	
Alternate		Dan George	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing (320)	
Operators		Fay Beals	4 Wheel Drive 1 Ton w/ Plow (372)	
		Kelly Sand	4 Wheel Drive 3/4 Ton w/Plow (349)	
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		Bob Crowdes	4 Wheel Drive ¾ Ton w/ Plow (359)	
		Al Wise	4 Wheel Drive ¾ Ton w/Plow (485)	
		Mark Smith	Tandem Axle Sander w/ Plow and Wing (321)	
		Allen Brown	Single Axle Sander w/ Plow & Wing (319)	
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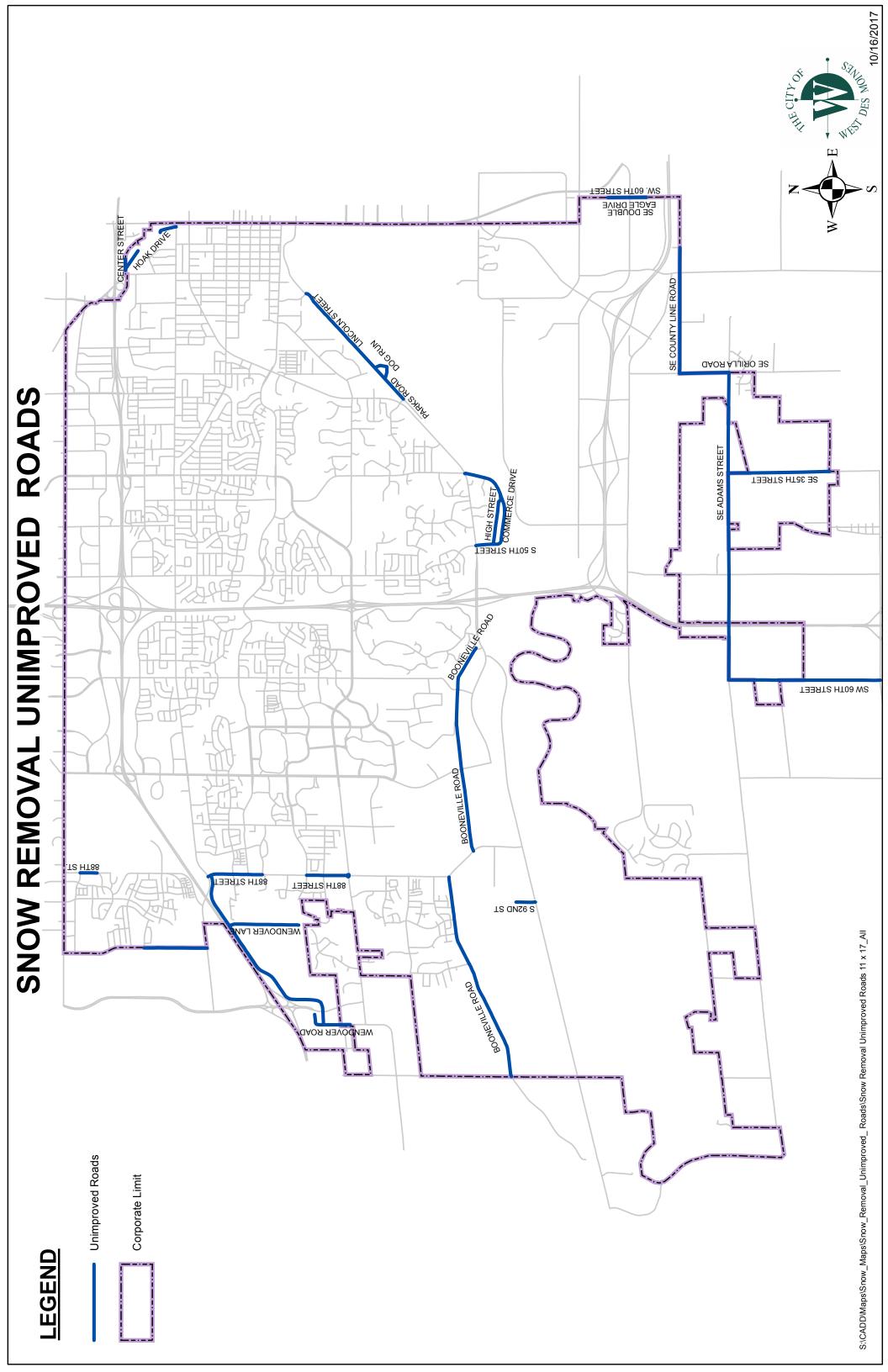
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Trails, City Facility Parking Lots, City owned Sidewalks

CITY PARKING LOTS (1 of 4)

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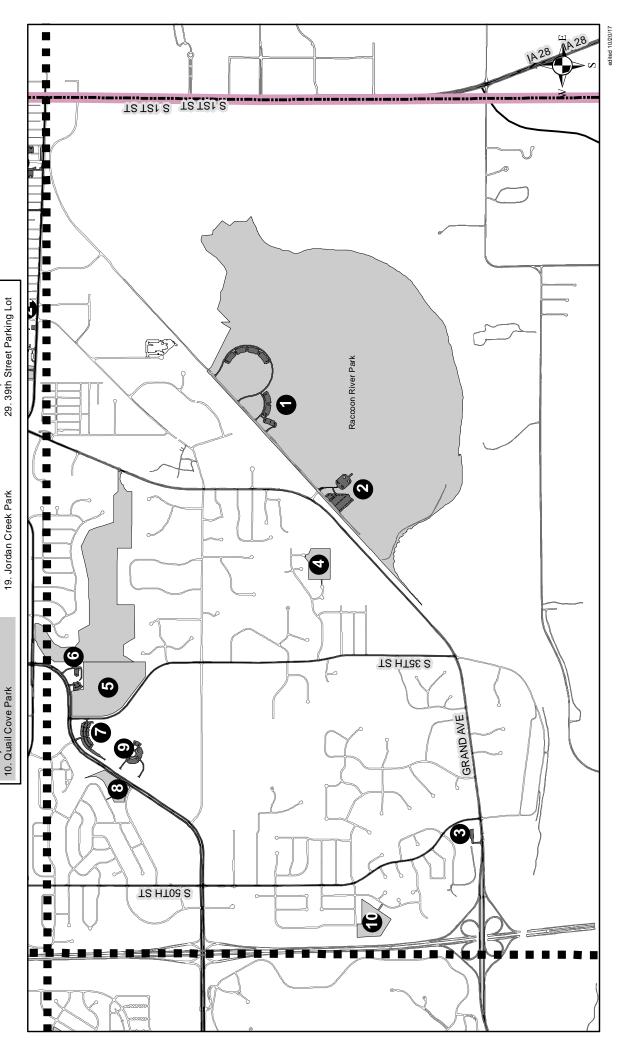


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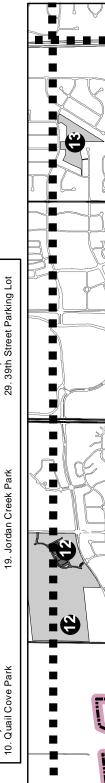
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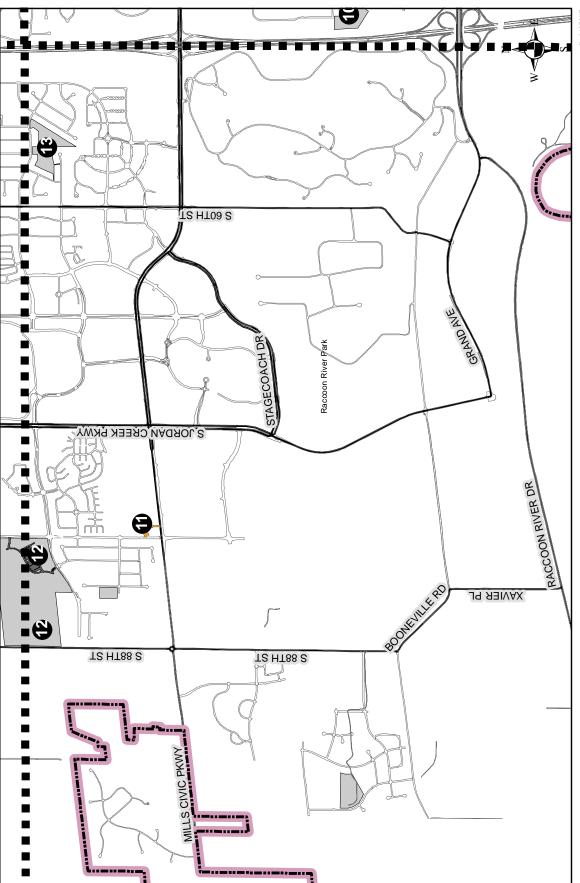


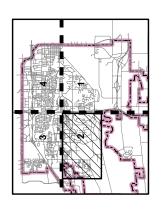












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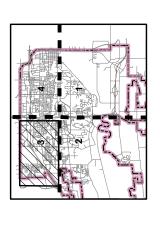


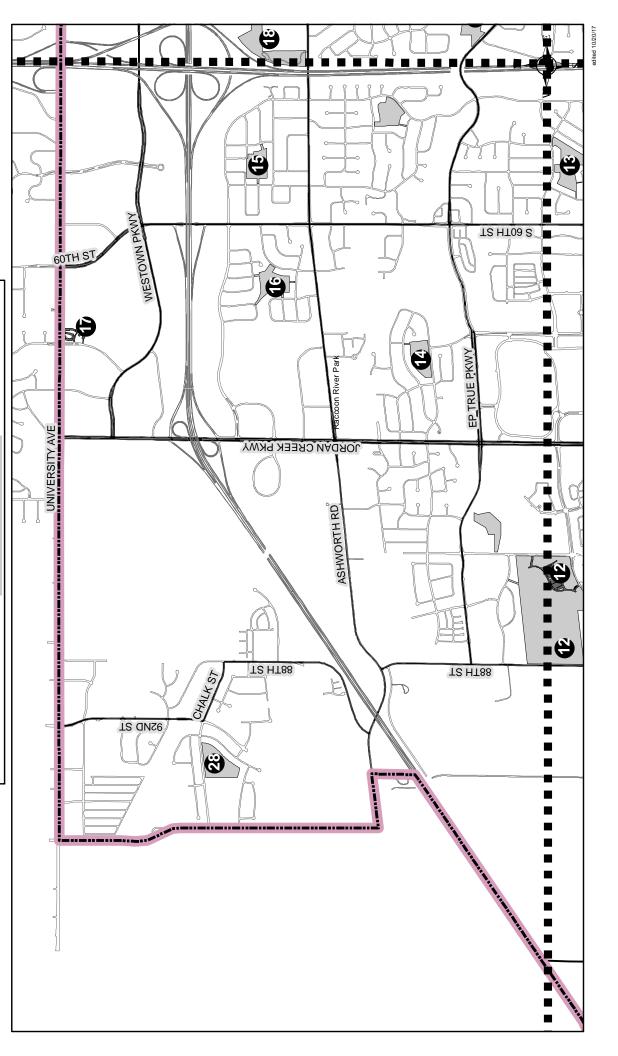


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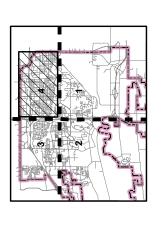
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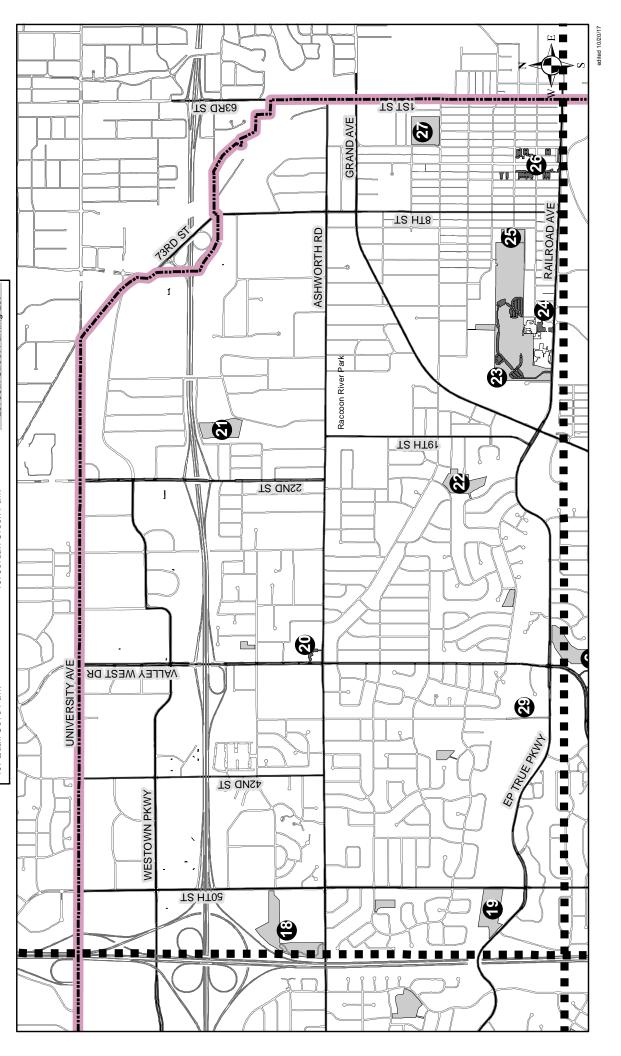


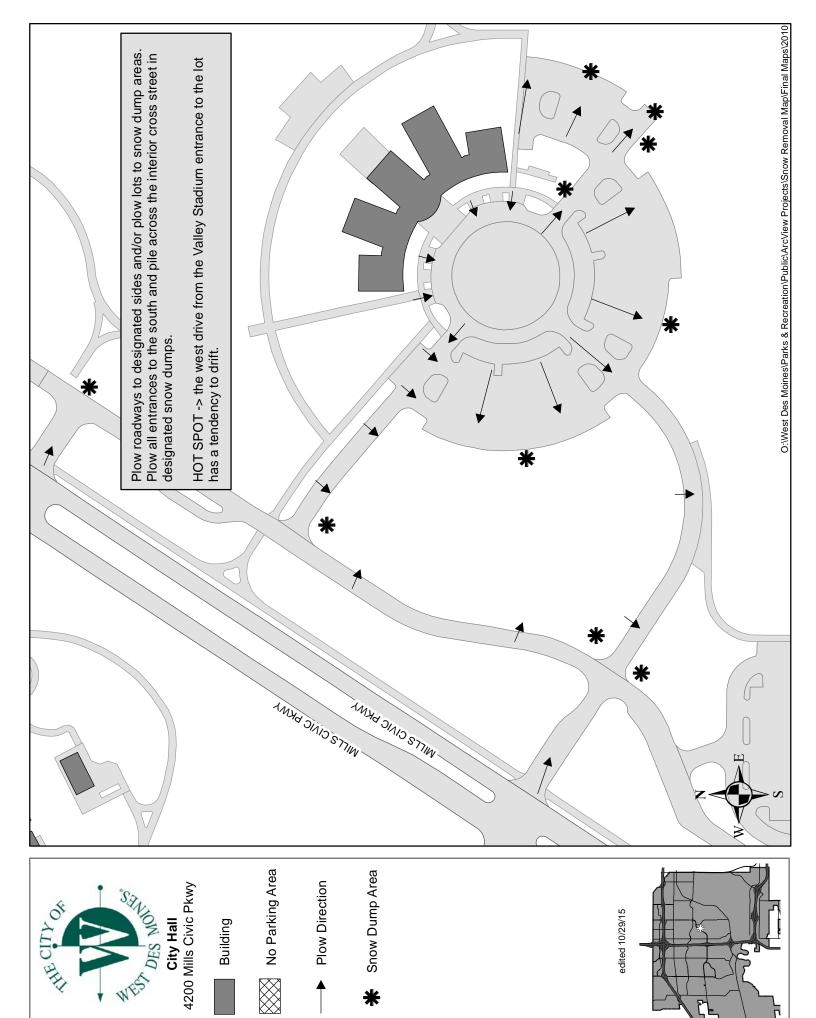
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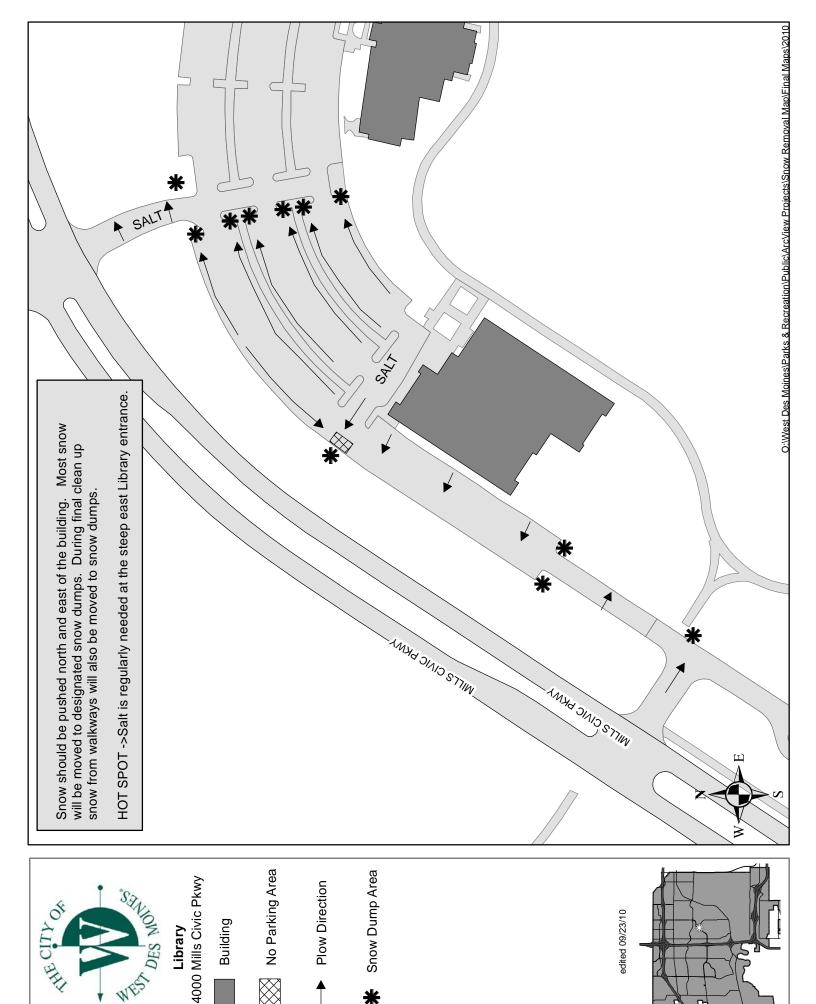
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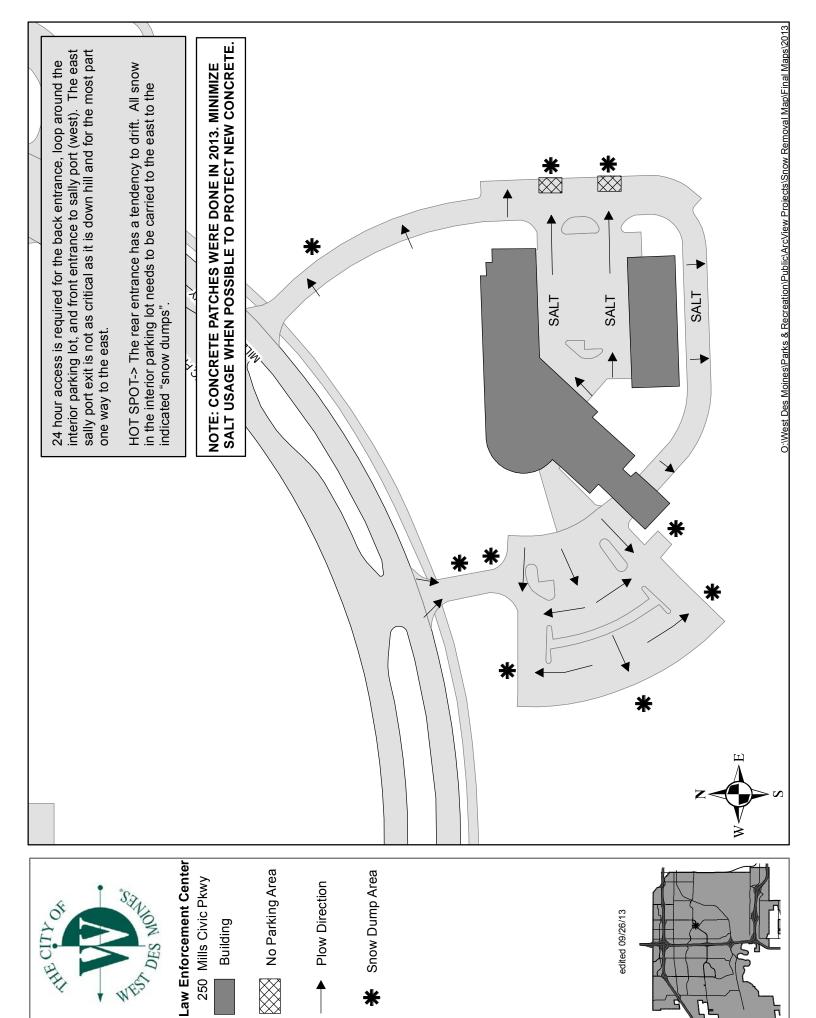


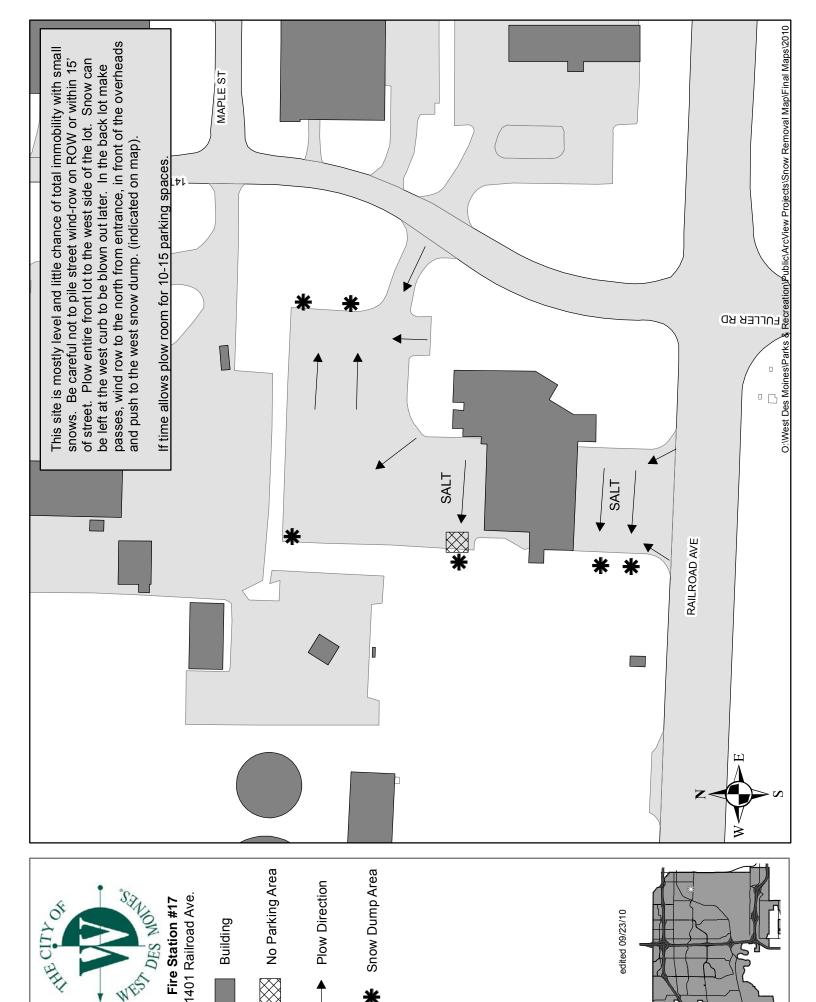


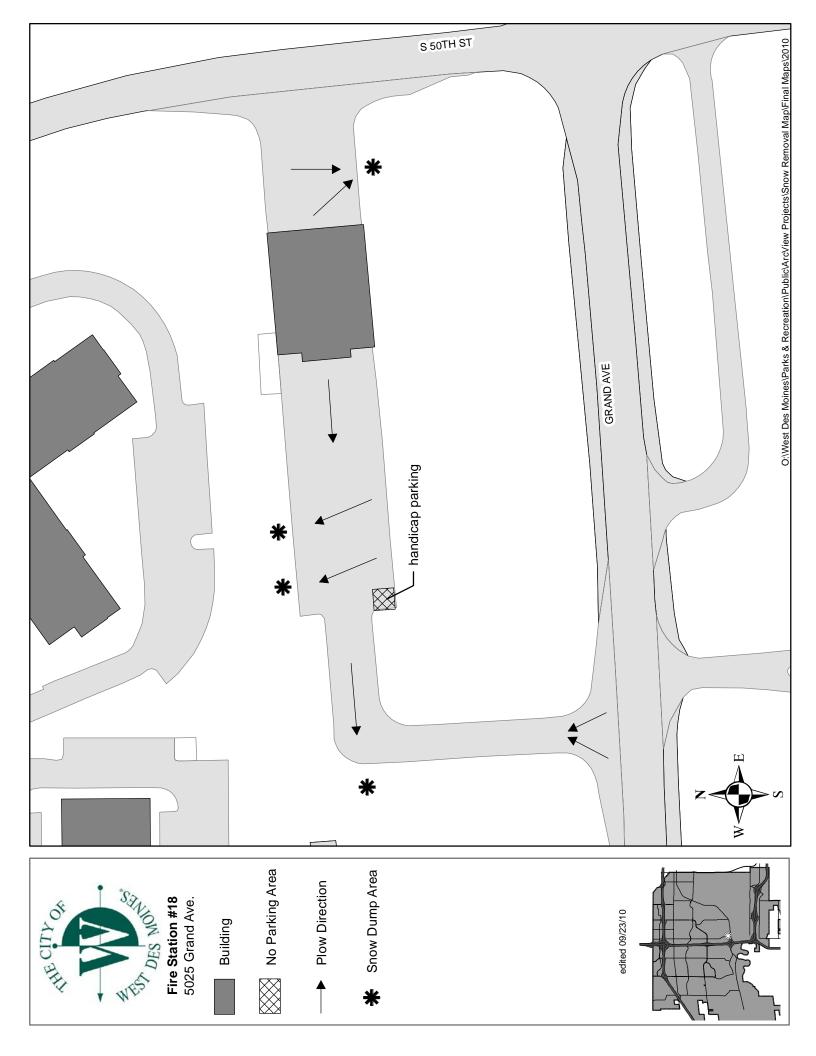


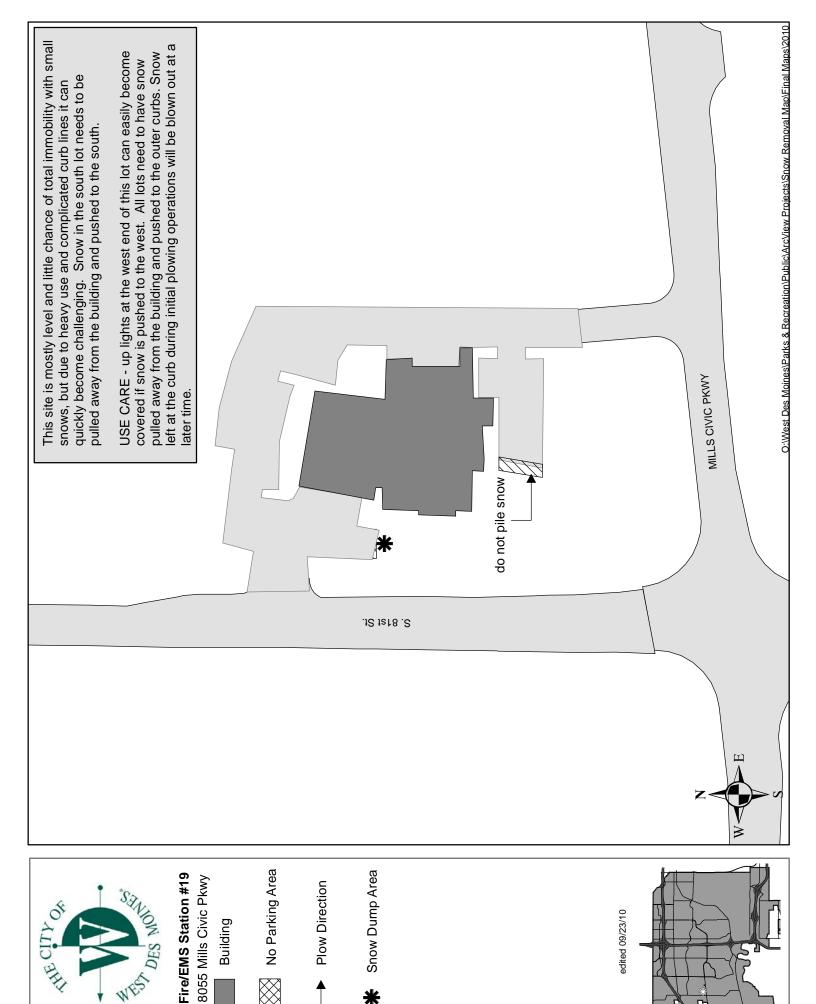


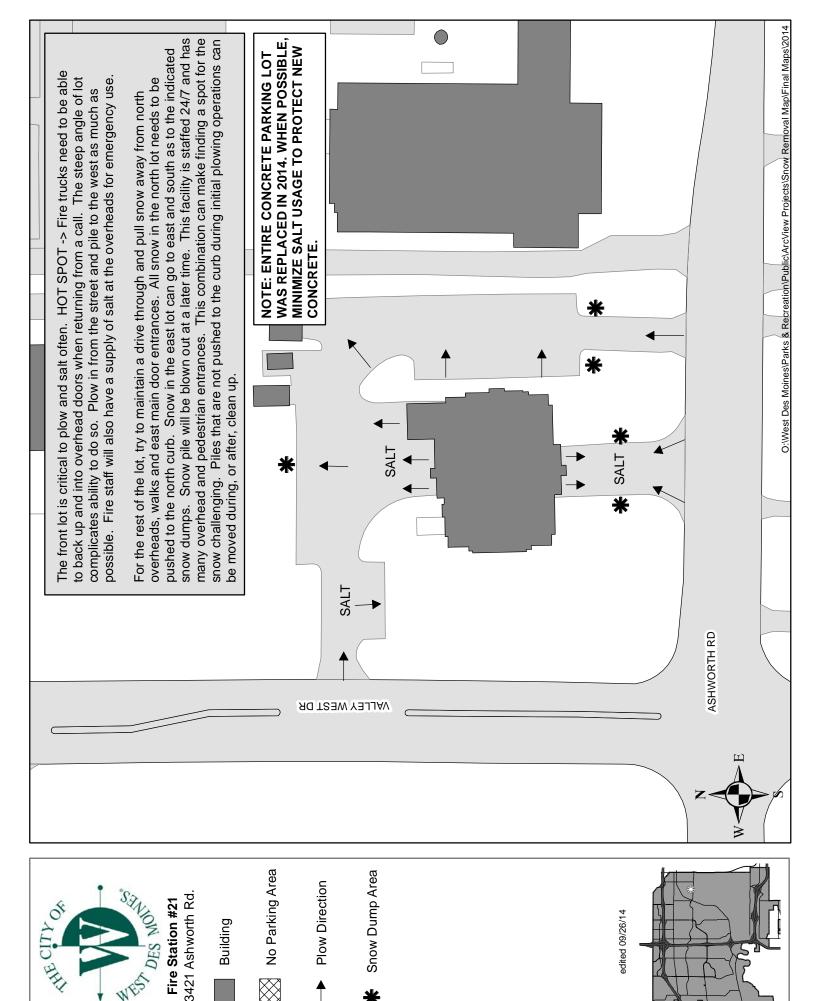


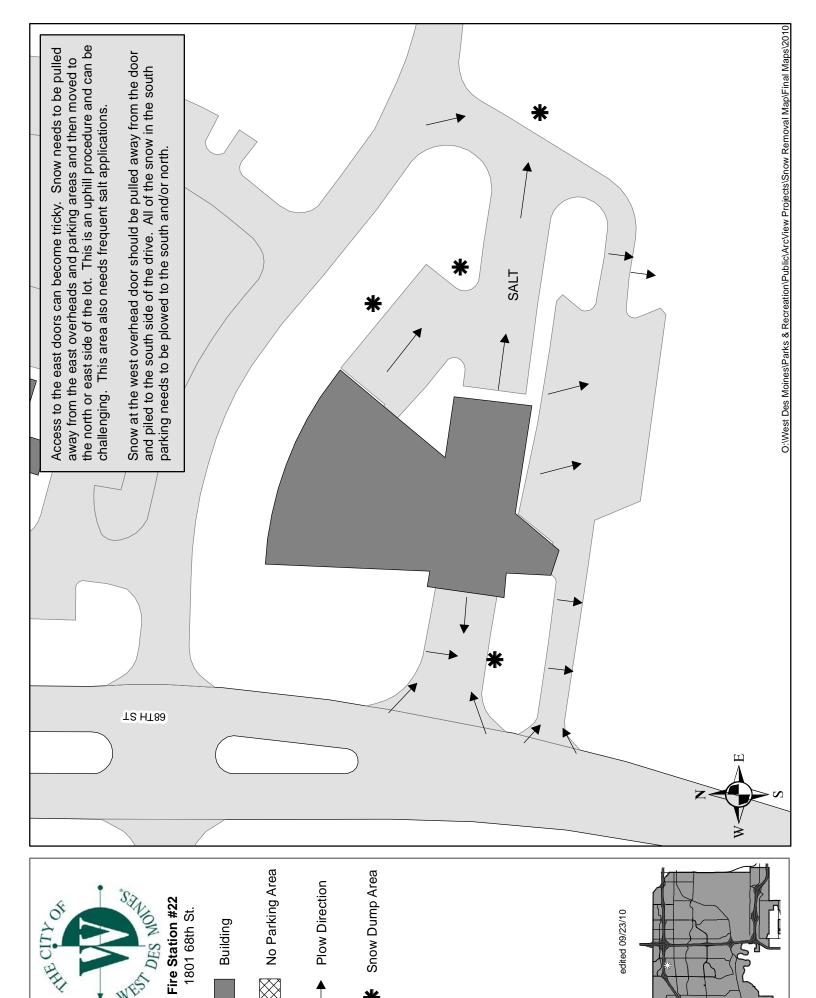














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PARKING LOTS/ SIDEWALK CLEANING PRIORITIES

CITY OF WEST DES MOINES

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL PROCEDURES

PARKING LOTS

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Priority	<u>Description</u>	Address
1.	Fire Station #17	1401 Railroad
2.	Fire Station #18	S. 50 th & Grand Avenue
3.	Public Safety #19	8055 Mills Civic Parkway
4.	Fire Station #21	3421 Ashworth Road
5.	Fire Station #22	1801 68 th Street
6.	Law Enforcement Center	250 Mills Civic Parkway
7.	Library (PW assist with outer area of lot)	4000 Mills Civic Parkway
8.	City Hall (PW assist with outer area of lot)	4200 Mills Civic Parkway
9.	Former Human Services Building	318 5 th Street
10.	Human Services Building	139 6 th Street
11.	RRP Nature Lodge	2500 Grand Avenue
12.	Valley Junction Parking Lots	200 Block 4 th Street
		200 Block 6 th Street
		100 Block 6 th Street
		100 Block 4 th Street
		300 Block 6 th Street
13.	Former Phenix School	415 7 th Street
14.	Parks Maintenance Yard	1421 Maple
15.	City Parks	Legion, Fairmeadows, Pearson,
	(PW will plow from the end of Lincoln to	Crossroads, Holiday, Jaycee,
	Grand, the loop around the softball	Southwoods, 50 th Street, RRP, Boat
	complex and dog park at RRP)	Ramp, Willow Springs, Scenic
		Valley, Wild Rose, Ashawa, Valley
		View
16.	Jordan Cemetery	2600 Block Fuller Road

SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

*Performed by snow contractor

Priority	Description	Length (feet)		
1	School Crossing Guard Locations:			
	Clear guard parking areas and sidewalk access to street at all corners			
	A. 8 th Street & Ashworth Road			
	B. 8 th Street & Grand Avenue			
	C. 8 th Street and Vine Street			
	D. 22 nd Street and Ashworth Road			
	E. 50 th Street and Ashworth Road			
	F. 50 th Street and Woodland Avenue			
	G. Valley West Drive and Giles/Western Hills			
	H. 39 th Street and Western Hills Drive			
	I. 56 th Street and Highland Court			
	J. Grand Ave and Vine Street			
	K. Prairie View Drive and Ashworth Rd			
2	A. City Parking Lot – 200 Block 4 th Street	1080		
	4 th Street			
	Elm Street			
	Pedestrian Walkway			
	B. City Parking Lot – 200 Block 6 th Street			
	6 th Street			
	Maple Street			
	C. City Parking Lot – 100 Block 6 th Street			
	6 th Street			
	Maple Street			
	Pedestrian Walkway to 5 th Street			
	D. City Parking Lot – 100 Block 4 th Street	486		
	4 th Street			
	Pedestrian Walkway to 5 th Street			
	Railroad Place			
	E. City Parking Lot – 300 Block 6 th Street			
	6 th Street			
	Former Human Services Building			
3	Hillside Avenue Sidewalk (Between 9 th St and 11 th St)	600		
4	Hillside Street Sidewalk (leading to Sacred Heart School)	125		
5	Former Phenix School property (415 7th Street)			
6	Woodland Hills Park (sidewalk along S. 95 th & S. 93 rd Street)			
7	Woodland Hills Greenway (sidewalks along Stagecoach Dr, Harper Ln,			
	& Sugar Creek Dr)			
8	Southwoods Park (350 S. 35 th Street)			
9	Waterford Greenway sidewalks	476		
10	Ashawa Greenway sidewalks	930		

Priority	Description	Length (feet)
11	Ashawa Park (4431 Waterford Drive)	1,359
12	Fire Station #21 sidewalks	544
13	Fire Station #17 sidewalks	1084
14	Fire Station #22 sidewalks	214
15	Fire Station #18 sidewalks	784
16	Public Safety Station #19 sidewalks	552
17	Fairmeadows Park (543 22 nd Street)	729
18	Fairmeadows North Greenway (Meadow lane & 27 th Street)	355
19	50 th Street near Lowes	65
20	42 nd Street @ I-235	273
21	Valley West Drive @ I-235	355
22	28 th Street @ I-235	468
23	22 nd Street @ I-235	648
24	17 th Street @ I-235	592
25	Pearson Park (1256 19 th Street)	569
26	Fairmeadows Greenway sidewalks (EP True Pkwy)	169
27	Beh Glen Greenway sidewalk (Grand Ave)	442
28	Kiwanis Park (3101 Maple Street)	571
29	Jordan Creek Greenway – EP True Pkwy east of Valley West Dr	365
30	Jordan Creek Greenway – Valley West Dr	416
31	Jordan Creek Greenway - E.P. True & 39 th Street	812
32	Jordan Creek Greenway - E.P. True west of rugby fields	1899
33	Jordan Creek Greenway – 50 th Street	555
34	Jordan Creek Greenway – under I35 bridge	935
35	Jordan Creek Greenway - Prairie View Dr	775
36	Jordan Creek Greenway – 60 th Street north of tracks	315
37	Jordan Creek Greenway – 60 th Street	187
38	Jordan Creek Greenway – EP True Pkwy west of Polo Apts.	90
39	Jordan Creek Greenway – 68 th Street	306
40	Jordan Creek Greenway – Jordan Creek Pkwy	888
41	Western Hills Park – 4100 Block of Walnut	30
42	Knolls Park sidewalks (5150 Aspen Dr)	201
43	Knolls Greenway South	974
44	Knolls Greenway North	475
45	Crossroads Park (5205 Ashworth Rd)	28
46	Meadowview Park sidewalks (638 Prairie View Dr)	720
47	Meadowview Greenway sidewalks	172
48	Jaycee Park sidewalks (5608 Center Street)	931
49	Legion Park sidewalks (301 Vine Street)	1351
50	1017 Maple Street (open lot)	48
51	100 11 th Street (open lot)	159
52	100 13 th Street (open lot)	188
53	Parks Maintenance Facility (1421 Maple Street)	253
54	Water Works Facility (Railroad Ave)	510

Priority	<u>Description</u>	Length (feet)
55	Scenic Valley Park (1223 S. 24 th Street)	64
56	Scenic Valley Greenway (S. 34 th St and Scenic Valley Dr)	447
57	Peony Park (1100 63 rd Street)	303
58	Willow Springs Park (5685 Wistful Vista Dr)	545
59	Wild Rose Park (6801 Cody Drive)	210
60	1 st Street north of Vine Street (open lot)	1185
61	1 st Street east of bowling alley (open lot)	526
62	221 8 th Street (open lot)	100
63	Wilson Park (298 9 th Street)	538
64	Florer Park (1410 Locust Street)	688
65	Jordan Cemetery (2950 Fuller Rd)	893
66	Mills Civic Pkwy @ I35 overpass	822
67	Huston Ridge Park (8455 Coachlight Dr)	1161
68	Valley View Park (255 81 st Street)	100
69	1859 University Ave (Pump House)	102
70	Grand Ave, west of Fire Station #18 (open lot)	963

TRAIL SNOW REMOVAL

Priority	<u>Description</u>	Length
		(miles)
1	50 th /S. 50 th Street Trail	3.57
2	60 th / S. 60 th Street Trail	2.68
3	68 th / S. 68 th Street Trail	1.27
4	81 st / S. 81 st Street Trail	1.18
5	88 th / S. 88 th Street Trail	.44
6	92 nd Street Trail	.81
7	Army Post Rd Trail	.19
8	Ashawa Greenway Trail	.75
9	Ashworth Rd Trail	1.24
10	Bridgewood Blvd Trail	.64
11	Chalk Street Trail	.26
12	Cody Drive Trail	.12
13	EP True Pkwy Trail	1.57
14	Grand Ave Trail	2.23
15	Jordan Creek Pkwy Trail	3.26
16	Lake Dr Trail	.17
17	Mills Civic Pkwy Trail	3.45
18	Office Plaza Dr Trail	.28

Priority	<u>Description</u>	Length
		(miles)
19	Pine Avenue Trail	.02
20	Railroad Ave Trail	.43
21	S. 8 th Street Trail	.05
22	S. 11 th Street Trail	.16
23	S. 19 th Street Trail	.48
24	S. 35 th Street Trail	.66
25	S. Prairie View Dr Trail	.13
26	Stagecoach Dr Trail	.92
27	Sugar Street Trail	.04
28	Veterans Pkwy Trail	1.36
29	Vista Dr Trail (bridge over I-80)	.45
30	Westown Pkwy Trail	2.06
31	Maffitt Lake Rd trail bridge	.08
32	Ashawa Park Trail	.36
33	Brookview Park Trail	.18
34	City Campus Trail	.72
35	Crossroads Park	.47
36	Fairmeadows Greenway Trail	.32
37	Fairmeadows Park Trail	.18
38	Holiday Park Trail	.87
39	Jaycee Park Trail	.4
40	Jordan Creek Greenway Trail	6.07
41	Knolls Greenway Trail	.82
42	Levee Trail	1.56
43	Maple Grove Park Trail	.45
44	Peony Park Trail	.67
45	Quail Cove Park	.26
46	Raccoon River Park Trail	1.17
47	Scenic Valley Park Trail	.39
48	Southwoods Park Trail	.43
49	Valley View Park Trail	.25
50	Westridge Greenway Trail	.66
51	Wild Rose Park	.33
52	Willow Springs Park	.63
53	Wilson Park	.09
54	Woodland Hills Greenway Trail	.06

Guidelines for Plowing Public Safety Locations and City Parking Lots

General plowing guidelines for all properties:

When plowing for access only, (during overnight storms and open business hours) push along main drives to designated areas. Detailed plowing will follow storm (generally 4 am to 10 am). Keep lot access open and/or work to reduce total snow accumulation by plowing to snow dumps. Key areas that may reduce ability for access are listed as "hot spots".

Push all public street entrances to an interior area of the parking lot. DO NOT pile snow at entrances or on ROW. (NO "Guard Dogs")

When possible, plow windrows to downwind locations to help avoid drifting. Arrows on maps show the direction to plow based on prevalent wind directions.

Move as much snow as feasible to snow dump locations listed on maps. If the piles become too large for the location City staff will work to distribute following initial plowing operations.

Plow snow away from entrances, overhead doors, walkways and handicap parking.

On occasion, the City will clear snow from areas that are normally the responsibility of the private property owner. This will only be in circumstances where the removal is incidental to snow removal being performed on sidewalks, trails, or parking lots that are the City's responsibility. This will be done primarily to maximize efficiency of City snow removal operations, and not for the benefit of the private property owner. Example: Two City properties may be separated by private property; rather than backing up and/or leaving the sidewalk by driving across the grass parking area out into the street, the City employee may continue to remove snow from the sidewalk across the private property in order to access the adjacent City property.

Public Safety

During snow events:

For storms that begin late in the day, continue overnight and are more than 4" in depth, or when drifting occurs, access for emergency vehicles need to be maintained. If a site has a specific need they will call dispatch with the request. Each site has different "hot spots" that should be addressed prior to the need if possible.

During ice events:

All public safety facilities need to have salt applied with careful attention to "hot spots".

Raccoon River Park

Plow main roadway from Grand to Lincoln and loop around softball complex. Use caution at center median islands located on the main park road, as the roadway may be too narrow to plow with all equipment.

All Other Parking Lots

During snow events:

Overnight access is not generally important. If time allows see description on map for instructions.

During ice events:

Salt as able

TYPICAL WORK REPORTS

DAILY WORK RECORD

Print

Act. Code	Description & Log (Anything coded for Miscellaneous must be explained)	Veh#	Mileage Reading or Time (Calculate the Total. Use miles unless there is no odometer)	Equip #	Hrs Used	# Loads	Hrs Worked
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Explain	Explain Away from Work: (e.g., Sick Leave, Worker's Comp, C-time, Vacation, Casual Day, etc.)			Total	Total Hours Not Worked	t Worked	
Employe	Employee Signature_X		Total Paid Hours				

OPERATOR DAILY VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT

	Vehicle #	Miles	Hours	Date			
		t in this motor vehicl hanical breakdown.	e as would be likely to	affect the safety of its	operation or		
			nit: tires. Supply adequate	information to assist t	he mechanic		
		Signature of Inspec	ting Operator <u>X</u>				
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		Signature of Mecha	nic or Supervisor X				
	VERIFICATION OF INSPECTION REPORT FROM PREVIOUS OPERATOR						
1	Date		Signature of next opera	ator on unit X			

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SAFETY RULES

CITY OF WEST DES MOINES

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL PROCEDURES

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SAFETY RULES

1. WORK HOURS

For major storm events, two 12 hour shifts will be established at the discretion of the Director of Public Services and/or Deputy Director of Public Services.

2. SAFETY PROCEDURES

Safety is paramount during any snow storm. The following safety rules will be observed by all equipment operators.

- A. Check your snow removal equipment prior to leaving the yard and also the following:
 - 1) All work lights and emergency lights
 - 2) Two-way radio
 - 3) Snow plow and frame for damage
 - 4) Sander
 - 5) Rear view mirrors
 - 6) Flags and reflectors
 - 7) Windshield wipers
 - 8) Heater and defroster
 - 9) All necessary mapping for snow and ice removal
 - 10) Vehicle Inspection Items
 - 11) Liquid dispensing apparatus
- B. Report any non-working equipment to a Supervisor immediately.
- C. Use reasonable caution in operation of snow removal equipment.
- D. Drive cautiously.
- E. Utilize caution when operating in cramped quarters with parked cars on a street.
- F. Know your route and any fixed objects covered by snow.
- G. Obey all traffic laws.
- H. Do not follow traffic too closely.

- I. Slow down prior to turning—your plow will tend to push you where it wants to go.
- J. Equipment involved in snow and ice control operations is emergency equipment, but you as the operator, must obey all traffic laws and provide right-of-way to other vehicles.
- K. Do not attempt to tow private automobiles—offer assistance by way of radio contact to Dispatch or Supervisor.
- L. Utilize caution when operating deicing equipment. Watch for overhead obstructions. Lower box when necessary.

3. ACCIDENTS

Report all moving vehicle accidents immediately to your Supervisor. Depending on the severity of the accident and availability due to storm related issues, the Police Department will typically be called to evaluate the accident. Prior to leaving duty on the shift, a Motor Vehicle Accident Report & Review form and the internal Vehicle Damage Claim Report should be filled out. Your Supervisor will attempt to interview the driver at the end of the shift or within 24 hours after return to normal duties. Accident forms should be available from the on-duty Supervisor or dispatcher.

4. CARE AND USE OF EQUIPMENT

The snow plow operator is responsible for routine maintenance of the vehicle. Report any maintenance needed to the Supervisor or mechanic on duty. Check vehicle before and after use for any maintenance needed or damage to equipment. Fill out Operations Daily Inspection Check Sheet. The vehicle should be refueled at the end of each operator's shift.

5. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Operators are to take duty instructions from the Public Services Dispatcher or Supervisor on duty. The Police may report road conditions or other issues to the Public Work's Dispatcher or Supervisor. It will be the role of the Public Services Supervisor to direct all winter maintenance related operations.

6. DAILY REPORT

Upon completion of the shift, operators will be required to fill out a Daily Report sheet. This sheet will document location, date, mileage, and material usage.

ORDINANCE REFERENCES

6-6-7: SNOW REMOVAL:

No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or city owned off street parking area during any snow emergency proclaimed by the mayor, public works director, or their respective designees. A snow emergency parking ban shall continue from its proclamation through five o'clock (5:00) P.M. the following day. The mayor, public works director, or their respective designees may extend the duration of the parking ban if conditions require additional time to clear the snow and ice. Notice of an extension shall be posted in the same manner as a proclamation of snow emergency and shall contain the date and time the parking ban shall expire. Such a parking ban shall be of uniform application. The city shall publish information regarding the responsibilities of vehicle owners under this section in the fall and/or winter editions of the "WDM Magazine" distributed to city residents, as well as post such information on the city of West Des Moines website in the fall and/or winter of each year. When predictions or occurrences indicate the need, the mayor, public works director, or their respective designees, shall proclaim the snow emergency and direct the appropriate city employee to post said proclamation on the city of West Des Moines website and forward notice of the proclamation to at least two (2) radio and two (2) television stations that broadcast their signals into the city of West Des Moines. Such emergency may be extended or shortened as the emergency warrants or when conditions warrant. This section shall not be construed as suspending parking limitations or restrictions imposed by any other section of this title. In addition to enforcement of this section by police officers, code enforcement officials and public works employees have the authority to enforce the provisions of this section. The code enforcement officials and public works employees shall have the power to issue citation-complaints for violations of this section and impound vehicles found in violation of this section as provided in subsections 6-6-15A and G of this chapter. (Ord. 1844, 10-5-2009)

6-2-3-6: IMPOUNDING VEHICLES:

A police officer is hereby authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, a vehicle from a street, public alley, public or private parking lot, or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety or to a garage designated or maintained by the city under the circumstances hereinafter enumerated:

C. Snow Removal: When any vehicle is left parked upon a street during a snowstorm or immediately following a snowstorm, when it is deemed advisable that snow removal apparatus must be used on said street.

6-6-15: PARKING VIOLATIONS; FAILURE TO PAY:

A. Notice On Illegally Parked Vehicles: Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions imposed by this chapter or any other city ordinance or by state law, police officers, code enforcement officers, and any other city employees designated by the police chief finding such vehicle shall take its registration number and may take any other information displayed on the vehicle which may identify its owner or user and shall conspicuously affix to such vehicle a citation-complaint, in writing, on a form as provided by this code for the owner to appear to the charge against him or her at the city's finance department. In addition to enforcement of this chapter by police officers, code enforcement officials, and designated city employees, fire department officials and any other city employees designated by the fire chief shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this chapter for fire lane violations. Also, in addition to enforcement of this chapter by police officers, code enforcement officials, and designated city employees, public works employees shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this chapter for snow ordinance violations.

G. Removal and Impoundment Of Illegally Parked Vehicles: The police department may remove and impound vehicles or cause vehicles to be removed and impounded, when the vehicles are stopped or parked in violation of this chapter or other city ordinances and, in so doing, may employ such means as are reasonably necessary. Impounded vehicles shall be stored in a location designated by the city.

7-1-4: ENCROACHMENTS:

C. Dumping Of Snow: It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, push or place or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks or driveways onto the traveled way of streets so as to obstruct gutters or impede the passage of vehicles upon the street or to create a hazardous condition therein; except where, in the cleaning of large commercial drives in the business district it is absolutely necessary to move the snow onto the streets temporarily, such accumulation shall be removed promptly by the property owner or his agent, and only after first making arrangements for such prompt removal at the owner's cost of the accumulation within a reasonably short time. (1985 Code §8-1.0110)



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RE: Snow Removal near Railroad Crossings

TO ALL CITY, COUNTY, & IDOT SNOWPLOW DRIVERS:

The Iowa Department of Transportation, Office of Rail Transportation, conducts winter meetings with all the railroads annually. Safety related issues are part of our discussion during these annual meetings. Snow removal season has arrived, and we would like to remind snowplow drivers of some safety items related to winter operations at railroad crossings.

The railroads serving Iowa request you use special care when plowing and salting roads this winter season in the vicinity of highway-railroad crossings. Though specific railroads may differ slightly in their policies on snow and ice control at crossings, these general guidelines are good practices to keep in mind.

- 1. While it is essential that salt, brine, sand, and other snow and ice removal chemicals be used on roadway surfaces, these materials should be used judiciously at highway-railroad crossings.
- 2. Special attention should be paid to snow management at or within 15 feet either side of highway/railroad crossings. Enhancing the ability for vehicles to stop prior to the crossing is paramount. Snow and ice removal using salt/chemicals or sand on approaches to grade crossings assists the motorist in maintaining braking ability when approaching a grade crossing.
- 3. Where possible, avoid piling snow on or near railroad crossings, under gate arms or mechanisms and on access roads parallel and adjacent to tracks. Piles of snow may obstruct motorists' view as they approach a crossing, interfere with the proper operation of automatic gate arms or prevent railroad personnel from accessing infrastructure associated with the crossing safety devices.
- 4. In the unlikely event that snow removal equipment does or potentially has damaged a highway-railroad crossing in any way, *immediately* contact the railroad so that the situation can be evaluated. Raising the plow at the crossing may prevent any mishaps, but it is important to limit the amount the plow is lifted so that an accumulation of snow and ice on the crossing does not allow a vehicle to get stuck or "hung up" on the tracks.

To report emergencies or unsafe crossing conditions use the emergency telephone number posted on the ENS sign located on the crossbuck post or signal mast, providing the unique crossing identification number on the sign (See sign example below)

Figure 8B-5. Example of an Emergency Notification Sign



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If you are having a problem with snow or ice control at a crossing, please contact the railroad for additional assistance. If you need additional railroad contact information, please feel free to call the Office of Rail Transportation at 515-239-1108.

The Office of Rail Transportation is concerned about snowplow drivers' safety. In your focus to make the roadways safe for motorists, do not overlook the potential danger to you at rail crossings. See Tracks? THINK TRAIN. We also encourage all locations to schedule an Operation Lifesaver (OL) presentation on railroad safety. The presentations are provided by OL certified volunteers at no charge. To schedule a presentation at your location, please visit the following website www.iowaoperationlifesaver.org.

The Office of Rail Transportation and the railroads thank you for your extra care around highway/railroad crossings and for making our roads safe for all this winter driving season.

Sincerely,

Stu Anderson, Director

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Iowa Department of Transportation



City crossing



County gravel road crossing

NOTE: Both of the above photos are an example where the snow plow was raised completely, which dumped snow on the railroad crossing. The vehicle traffic caused this snow to be hard packed with ice causing the train ditcher/snow plow to derail. Please only raise plow *slightly* when plowing snow through the railroad crossings.