

ORDINANCE NO. 1560

AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE CHAPTER 18 – STREETS AND SIDEWALKS – ARTICLE V – SNOW REMOVAL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA:

That Chapter 18 - Article V of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Madison, also known as the Code of Ordinances, be replaced to read as follows:

ARTICLE V. SNOW REMOVAL

Sec. 18-90. Designation of emergency snow routes.

The following are hereby designated as emergency snow routes within the City of Madison:

NW 9th Street from Highland Avenue to Division Avenue
NW 2nd Street from west city limits to Summit Avenue
NE 3rd Street from Summit Avenue to Airport Road
SW 1st Street from Highland Avenue to S Blanche Avenue
SW 4th Street from Highland Avenue to Division Avenue
Highland Avenue from NW 9th Street to SW 4th Street
Union Avenue from N 9th Street to S 10th Street
Egan Avenue from N 9th Street to N 2nd Street
Egan Avenue from S 2nd Street to S 10th Street
Washington Avenue from N 11th Street to S 10th Street
Prairie Avenue from N 9th Street to N 3rd Street
Division Avenue from N 11th Street to S 4th Street
Lee Avenue from NE 9th Street to NE 8th Street
NE 11th Street from N Washington Avenue to N Division Avenue
NE 8th Street from Prairie Avenue to Roosevelt Avenue
SW 7th Street from Highland Avenue to Union Avenue
SE 3rd Street from Egan Avenue to S Washington Avenue

Sec. 18-91. Emergency snow route signs.

Signs shall mark emergency snow routes on each street designated as an emergency snow route. The Public Works Director, or his designated representative, shall post special signs with the wording "Snow Emergency Route". Such signs shall be posted two (2) in each block, attached to the meter posts, where posts are in place. If no posts are in place, the signs are to be posted in two (2) locations on poles, posts or other locations in each block.

Sec. 18-92. Designation of commercial core area.

That area of the city including and bounded by N 2nd Street on the north, Washington Avenue on the east, S 2nd Street on the south and Blanche Avenue on the west is hereby designated as the commercial core area. Policy shall be to blade, windrow, load and haul snow from the commercial core area.

Sec. 18-93. Announcement of emergency snow alert.

If the Public Works Director, or his designated representative, finds that falling snow, sleet or freezing rain will create conditions causing potential dangerous driving conditions, an emergency snow alert shall be called. Such announcement shall be made by means of radio, television, website and/or social media. Each such announcement shall state the time the emergency snow regulations will become effective, but not less than two (2) hours after such announcement.

Sec. 18-94. Termination of emergency snow alert.

If the Public Works Director, or his designated representative, finds that some or all of the conditions which gave rise to the emergency snow alert no longer exist, he is authorized to declare the termination of the emergency, in part or in whole, effective immediately upon announcement.

Sec. 18-95. Operation of vehicles.

While an emergency snow alert is in effect and until such emergency has been declared to be terminated by the Public Works Director, or his designated representative, no person shall operate a motor vehicle on any public street, avenue or alley in such manner or in such condition as to allow or permit such vehicle to become stalled on such route. Stalled vehicles in the roadway when a driver is not present and actively trying to remove are subject to immediate towing to the nearest cleared street or avenue at the owner's expense.

Sec. 18-96. Parking of vehicles.

- (a) During an emergency snow alert, it shall be unlawful to park on designated emergency snow routes, as defined in Section 18-90, for the duration of the alert.
- (b) During an emergency snow alert, no person shall park, or remain to be parked, any vehicle on any public street, avenue or alley until it has been cleared curb to curb.
- (c) During an emergency snow alert, it shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle in designated city owned parking lots until the lot has been cleared of snow.

Sec. 18-97. Removal of vehicles.

Vehicles parked on an emergency snow route, the commercial core area, designated city owned parking lots or on any street, avenue or alley after an emergency snow alert is declared are subject to an immediate parking ticket with a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) fine and a twenty-four (24) hour tow warning. If the vehicle has not been moved in twenty-four (24) hours, it will be subject to towing to the nearest cleared street or avenue at the owner's expense.

Sec. 18-98. Depositing of snow.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant or operator of a business, apartments, mobile home park, parking lot or other vacant space to blade, push, plow, blow, shovel or deposit the snow from said area into any public street, avenue or alley in any manner that would hamper pedestrian or vehicle travel and/or onto a public boulevard right-of-way in any manner that could create sight

obstruction by unduly impairing visibility at any intersection or that would effectively block street signage, excluding sidewalks in the commercial core area.

- (b) Policy shall be not to remove snow deposits left by snowplows at private driveways, mailboxes, vehicle delivery or fire hydrants. Property owners are responsible for clearing snow as deemed necessary near mailboxes and fire hydrants located in the boulevard areas.
- (c) Policy will be to eventually return and clear and widen streets to near the curb line as much as practical after the emergency snow alert has been terminated. Widening operations may, unfortunately, produce blocked or plugged driveway conditions to property owners or tenants.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2014.

CITY OF MADISON


Mayor

ATTEST: 
Finance Officer

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