

SNOW REMOVAL & FIRE HYDRANTS

ORDINANCE 2019-04

SNOW REMOVAL

- City Council directed staff to address 4 issues
 - Liability for damage to private property in the City's right-of-way
 - Snow removal around mailboxes
 - Snow removal around fire hydrants
 - Penalty for noncompliance

EXISTING CODE

- **Section 8.05.050 Improvements in Public Right-of-way During City Snow Removal**

- No improvements or landscaping shall be placed or allowed to remain in a City right-of-way in such a manner that may affect or interfere with City snow removal. Notwithstanding any other provisions contained in this ordinance, the City is not responsible or liable for damage or destruction caused by the City or any other person or entity to sprinklers, mailboxes, lights, plants, trees, shrubs, landscaping or other improvements of any kind located within the public right-of-way, regardless of whether or not such improvements comply with this ordinance.

PROPOSED CODE

Section 8.05.090 Snow Removal Near Mailbox Receptacle

- It shall be the duty of every property owner to monitor, uncover and remove accumulated snow and windrows of snow from over and around the owner's mailbox. If the snow is not removed in a manner that the postal delivery employee can access the mailbox then mail may not be delivered, at the postal delivery employee's discretion, to the inaccessible mailbox.

PROPOSED CODE

Section 8.05.100 Snow Removal Near Fire Hydrant

- It shall be the duty of every property owner on a private street to monitor, uncover and remove accumulated snow and windrows of snow from over and around any fire hydrant located in front of or adjacent to the owner's property. The fire hydrant area shall be uncovered for a minimum distance of not-less than three feet on all sides. Snow removal must occur within twelve hours from the end of each snow storm. Failure to remove snow around fire hydrants as described in this Code shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADJOURNMENT