

Article 4. Snow Emergency Routes

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§5-401 DESIGNATION OF ROUTES.

The following-described streets are hereby declared to be snow emergency routes in the City. The Mayor shall, at his or her discretion, place appropriate signs or other traffic control devices indicating the existence of such snow emergency routes. A designation of any street, avenue, road or highway or portion thereof as a snow emergency route shall in no way affect any previous designation of that street, avenue, road or highway for any other purposes. The snow emergency routes are as follows:

- A. Oakland Avenue from Fulton Avenue to 9th Street
- B. Second Street from Parson Avenue to Anderson Avenue
- C. Third Street from Charde Avenue to Anderson Avenue
- D. Engdahl Avenue from Third Street to the Oakland Heights Nursing Home
- E. Ninth Street from Oakland Avenue to Highway 77
- F. First Avenue from Engdahl Avenue to Jan Scheree Drive
- G. Anderson Avenue from Third Street to First Avenue

§5-402 DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY.

Whenever the Mayor or his or her designated representative shall find, on the basis of falling snow, sleet, or freezing rain or on the basis of an official forecast of snow, sleet, or freezing rain by the U.S. Weather Bureau, that weather conditions will make it necessary for motor vehicle traffic to be expedited and that parking on city snow emergency routes be prohibited or restricted for snow plowing and other purposes, the Mayor or his or her designated representative may place into effect a parking prohibition on all snow emergency routes by declaring that emergency conditions exist. In such declaration of emergency conditions, the Mayor or his or her designated representative shall state the time that said emergency shall be in effect. After the time so designated, all parking of vehicles on snow emergency routes shall be prohibited. While the prohibition is in effect, no person shall park or allow to remain parked any vehicle on any portion of a snow emergency route. Once in effect, the parking prohibition imposed under this section shall remain in effect until terminated by declaration of the Mayor or his or her designated representative. However, nothing in this section shall be construed to permit parking at any time or place where it is forbidden by any other provision of law.

§5-403 PARKING PROHIBITION.

Whenever the Mayor or his or her representative shall find, on the basis of accumulated snow, falling snow, sleet or freezing rain or on the basis of an official forecast of snow, sleet or freezing rain by the U.S. Weather Bureau, that conditions make it necessary that parking on local residential streets be prohibited or restricted for snow plowing and other purposes, he may put into effect a parking prohibition on part or all local and residential streets by declaring that parking be prohibited on one side of the local and residential streets, designating ei-

ther the odd- or even-numbered addresses at his or her discretion. In such declaration, the Mayor or his or her designated representative shall state the date and time on which such parking prohibition shall take effect. The prohibition shall remain in effect until terminated by announcement of the Mayor or his or her designated representative, who may then declare that there shall be in effect a parking prohibition on the opposite side of those local and residential streets designated above, which prohibition shall remain in effect until terminated by announcement of the Mayor or his or her designated representative. While the prohibition is in effect, no person shall park or allow to remain parked any vehicle on any side of a street whereon parking is prohibited.

§5-404 OPERATION OF VEHICLES.

A. Whenever an emergency has been declared pursuant to Section 5-402 of this article, no person operating a motor vehicle on a snow emergency route shall allow such vehicle to become stalled or stuck.

B. No person operating a motor vehicle on a snow emergency route during the declaration of emergency snow conditions shall allow such vehicle to become stalled because the motor fuel supply is exhausted or the battery has become inoperative.

C. Whenever a motor vehicle becomes stalled for any reason, whether or not in violation of this article, on any snow emergency route on which there is a parking prohibition in effect, the person operating such vehicle shall take immediate action to have it towed or pushed off the roadway of such snow emergency route, either onto the nearest cross street which is not a snow emergency route or other appropriate location. No person shall abandon or leave his or her vehicle in the roadway of a snow emergency route, except for the purpose of securing assistance during the actual time necessary to go to a nearby telephone or to a nearby garage, gasoline station, or other place of assistance and return without delay.

§5-405 DECLARATION BROADCAST.

A. The Mayor or his or her designated representative shall cause each declaration of a snow emergency made by him, pursuant to this article, to be publicly announced by means of broadcast or telecast from broadcasting stations with a normal operating range covering the City, and he may cause the said declaration to be further announced in newspapers of general circulation when feasible. Each announcement shall describe the action taken by the Mayor or his or her designated representative, including the time it became or will become effective, and shall specify the streets or areas affected. The Mayor or his or her designated representative shall make or cause to be made a record of each time and date when any declaration is announced to the public by issuing an executive order as soon as is feasible after the declaration of an emergency.

B. Whenever the Mayor or his or her designated representative shall find that some or all of the conditions which gave rise to a parking prohibition placed in effect pursuant to the provisions of this article no longer exist, he may declare the prohibition terminated, in whole or in part, effective immediately upon announcement or at a later specified time.