



SNOW CLEARING POLICY

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Signature of Approval of Authorized Personnel:

POLICY STATEMENT:

Snow clearing within the Town of Redwater will be implemented by priority based on the guidelines set within this policy.

Winter snow clearing may be implemented by the Public Works Department based on:

1. A single event of loose snowfall greater than 5 cm and/or
2. A total compacted accumulation depth of snow 10 cm or greater and/or
3. Based on icy road conditions with minimal snow accumulation, sanding of key intersection and removal of hazards snow drifts on main routes will occur as determined by the General Manager, Operations & Engineering.

PURPOSE:

To provide a standard policy for the purpose of snow clearing within the Town of Redwater.

PROCEDURES:

Priorities

Snow shall be cleared in the following priority (see attached snow clearing map Schedule "A" for further reference):

Priority 1:	Main Access Routes around Town	Yellow
Priority 2:	Access Routes/Downtown Core	Red
Priority 3:	Residential Streets	White
Priority 4:	Industrial areas	Blue
Priority 5:	Commercial Alleys	Purple
Priority 6:	Residential Alleys	
Highway 38 (48 th Avenue):	Alberta Transportation Responsibility	Grey

Snow Fall Event

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In the event of a snowfall:

- Priority areas 1 and 2 will be cleared without any prior notice. Where possible vehicles should be removed from the streets immediately to facilitate faster snow clearing.
- Once Priority areas 1 and 2 are complete Public Works will review all other areas of the Town for Snow removal when accumulation of either 10 cm of loose snow fall or total compacted accumulation depth of snow over 10 cm. Residential snow-clearing operations will begin at that time. The service target for completion is minimum 4 days. Should a second snowfall occur prior to the completion of initial snow clearing operations the priorities will be reset, however the service target time will be minimum 4 days from the most recent snowfall event.
- Snow removal signs will be put out a minimum of 24 hours prior to a street being cleared where a no parking ban has been placed to accommodate snow removal operations. When no parking signs are place, residents are required to remove all vehicles or items from the street to another location or be subject to towing at the owner's expense. (Refer to Town's Traffic Safety Bylaw 763, Section 11).
- In the event of an emergency, 24-hour notice may not be provided.
- Only the Priority 1 main access routes will be cleared should a snowfall occur on weekend.

Snow shall be cleared from each street as per Schedule "B" which demonstrates either windrow for haul out or clearing snow towards boulevard/ditches.

Snow shall be cleared from trails and sidewalks as per Schedule "C" utilizing appropriate equipment such as the skid steer or Tool Cat.

Bare pavement week will be celebrated during the last week of March each year when all the streets will be cleared from snow which will benefit the surface drainage problems during spring melt time.

Alleys

Alleys will only be cleared after all other priority routes are cleared of snow. Such clearing shall be at the discretion of the General Manager, Operations & Engineering.

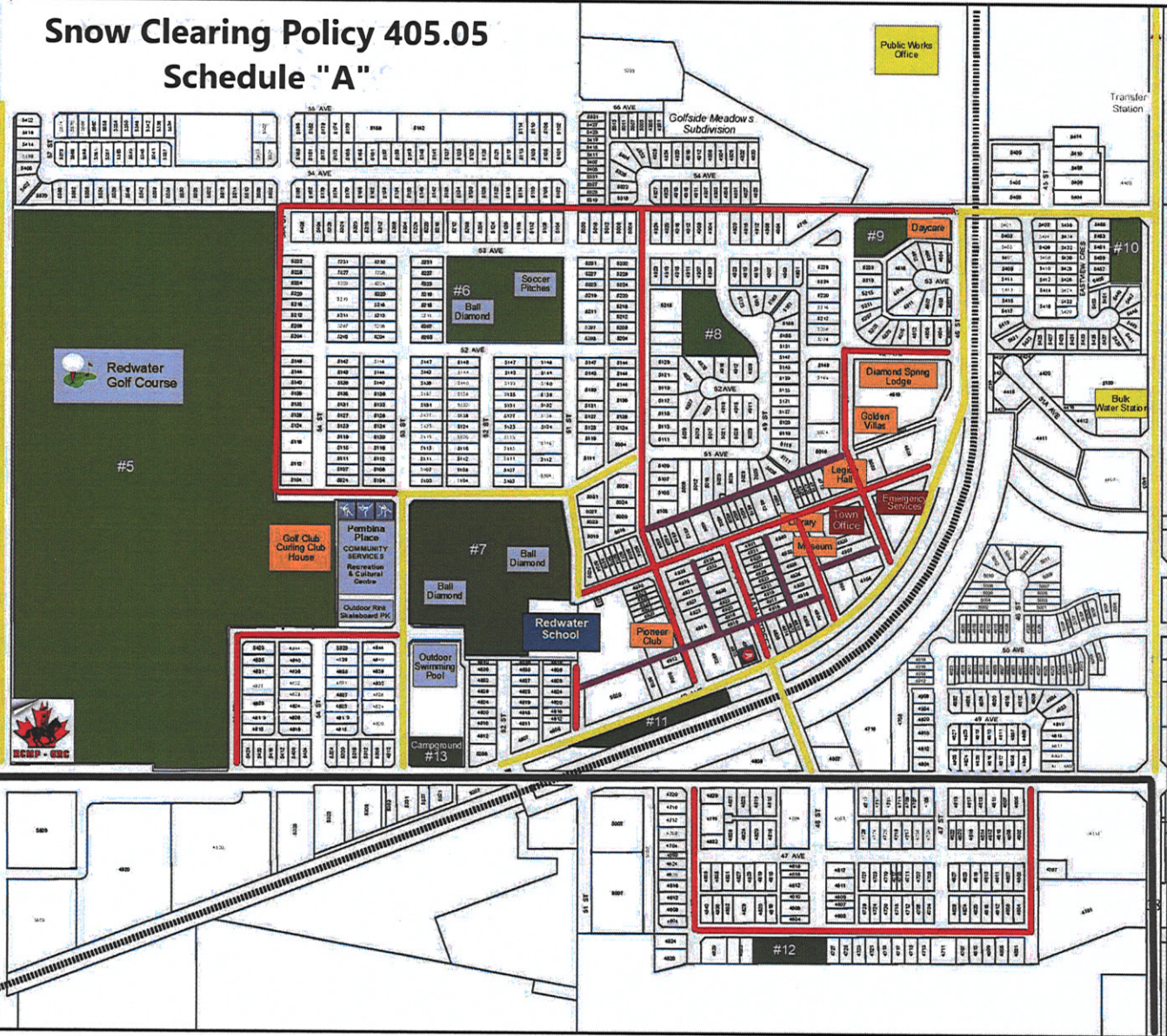
The exception to this policy statement is the alley which forms part of the emergency route connecting 54th Avenue, West of Daycare to Golf Course and running south towards 51st Avenue that is cleared in accordance with Priority 2 and indicated on the attached map schedule "A".

Consideration will be given to alleys in the residential and commercial areas that drift in and are inaccessible, at the sole discretion of the General Manager, Operations & Engineering.

There may be occasions, other than the emergency route, when an alley is cleared before the residential street adjacent to it. This may occur in order to provide the opportunity for residents to move their vehicles from the main street so that the main street can be cleared.



Snow Clearing Policy 405.05 Schedule "A"



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