



## City of Ketchum Public Works

### **Ketchum Street Department**

*With the cold and snow of the winter season just around the corner, the City would like all residents and businesses to be aware of City policies for snow removal on City streets and sidewalks.*

**STREETS:** Snow plows will be operating in residential areas on mornings and afternoons following a snowfall accumulation of three or more inches. Snow plows run from 1 am through 3 pm depending on crew size and scheduling. To enable plowing, vehicles must be moved off all City streets from 2 am to 7 am. Vehicles which are not moved may be towed.

Residents should expect snow plows to create berms at the road's edge and be aware that those berms may block driveways. The snowplow operators will try to avoid creating large berms but it is not possible for City crews to clear driveway openings and still plow all of the City's streets in a timely manner. With this in mind, the City asks that residents be prepared to clear their own driveways after the streets have been plowed, especially following heavy snow storms.

**SIDEWALKS:** Property owners are also responsible to clear ice and snow from walkways or sidewalks adjacent to their property the same day as the storm event or within the first six hours of daylight the following day ([Ord. # 545](#)).

As you clear snow from your driveways and sidewalks, please be aware that a City ordinance prohibits property owners from piling snow or ice in a manner that obstructs public streets or walkways.

**SPECIAL SITUATIONS:** When City crews are aware of special situations, such as elderly or physically-challenged residents, they will try to help clear those driveways as time allows. The City also encourages people to give a helping hand and clear driveways or sidewalks for neighbors who are physically unable to do so for themselves.

**BUSINESS AREAS:** The downtown community core area is typically plowed between 1 am and 8 am. As in residential neighborhoods, snow and ice from driveways and parking lots must not be plowed onto public streets, sidewalks or alleys.

Business property owners are also responsible to clear ice and snow from walkways or sidewalks adjacent to their property and in the right-of-way the same day as the storm event or within the first six hours of daylight the following day.

For snow plowing operations questions, contact the Ketchum Street Department by calling 726-7831. For questions concerning sidewalk snow removal, policy enforcement and parking, contact the Police Department at 726-7819. Also check the City web site for winter operations information.