

CITY OF BELTON PUBLIC WORKS STREET SWEEPING POLICY (EFFECTIVE 5/1/12)

Introduction

In the best interest of the residents of the City of Belton, the Public Works Department Transportation Division shall assume basic responsibility for sweeping public streets that are owned by the City. Sweeping is necessary for vehicle and pedestrian safety, to protect water quality and other environmental concerns, and to help maintain a positive appeal to the community. The City shall provide such service in the most cost-effective manner possible. The City utilizes in-house resources to provide this service. Completion dates are dependent upon weather conditions and employee and equipment availability. The Transportation Division Superintendent or his designee is responsible for the schedule and overall performance of the program.

When will the City perform street sweeping operations?

1. Spring sweeping of snow and ice control aggregate (e.g. sand) begins in the early portion of the Spring season when the risk of snow and ice is minimal, usually March or April. Spring sweeping is typically completed in (5) five weeks. At least one sweeping pass will be made on every street during the spring operation. The City has been divided into four identifiable quadrants to best communicate the timing of the spring sweeping operations. The north / south dividing line shall be 58 highway and the east / west dividing line shall be North Scott and South Scott. The four quadrants shall be named SW quadrant, NW quadrant, NE quadrant and SE quadrant.
 - a. SW quadrant
 - b. NW quadrant
 - c. NE quadrant
 - d. SE quadrant
2. Summer sweeping consists of select streets (typically curbed, arterial) that are swept because of the amount of debris these streets receive due to high traffic volumes. Summer sweeping is typically completed in (1) one week in late June, or early July. The streets that are completed during the summer are as follows:
 - a. 163rd Street: from Kentucky Drive to 58 Highway
 - b. North Scott Avenue
 - c. South Scott Avenue
 - d. Bel- Ray Blvd
 - e. SpringValley Road
 - f. Westover Street
 - g. Lacy Drive
3. Fall sweeping typically begins the first week of October and is completed by late November. Fall operations begin in areas where there is less foliage and end in those areas where there is extensive foliage. Not all city streets will receive a fall sweep. In areas where leaves are accumulating on the streets at a higher level, the street sweeper

cannot operate effectively and is likely to result in equipment failure, if attempted. Therefore, it is important that the residents in those areas control the accumulation of leaves in a manner that the sweeper can operate effectively.

Unimproved streets are those streets without curb and gutter; and in most cases, are not included in the fall sweeping operations since run-off on those streets is directed to the adjacent ditch.

4. Main Street (including Loop Road) sweeping is completed monthly on the fourth Friday beginning in April and ending in October.
5. Island sweeping is completed monthly on the second Friday beginning in April and ending in October. Not all islands are swept monthly due to the time it takes to sweep them because of traffic safety. The islands swept on a monthly basis are as follows.
 - a. Interchange: 58 Hwy and 71 Hwy
 - b. Cunningham Parkway and 58 Hwy
 - c. 58 Hwy and Y Hwy
 - d. 163rd Street from 58 Hwy to Cornerstone Drive
 - e. 155th Street and North Scott Avenue
6. Erosion / siltation dirt and debris cleanup from construction projects is the responsibility of the developer, contractor or property owner. Except in cases of emergency the streets shall be cleaned and swept within 24 hours of notification. If the streets are not swept within the specified time allowed or in the case of an emergency the City may sweep the street and the responsible party will reimburse the City for all associated costs.
7. General sweeping will be performed on an as needed basis or upon a reasonable and legitimate request.

Sweeping Procedures

Sweeping is a slow process where average gutter line speeds for sweeping can be as slow as (2) two to (3) three miles per hour. Typically, centerlines are swept after gutter lines are cleaned and dependent upon the amount of debris in the center of the street. It is the discretion of the operator to determine if the centerline will be swept.

Weather Conditions

Sweeping operations will be conducted when weather conditions permit. Factors that may delay sweeping operations include temperatures below 32 degrees, wind, rain, snow and frozen gutter lines.


Work Schedule

Sweeping operations are performed in conjunction with and can be impacted by other maintenance operations. Sweeping operations will normally be conducted Monday – Friday 7:00am to 3:00pm and will be conducted in a manner as to not impede morning traffic. Extended work days and shifts may be utilized to provide maximum efficiency.

Complaints

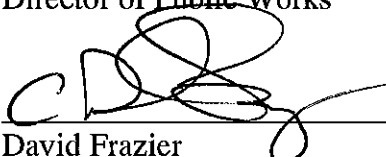
Complaints regarding sweeping should be directed to the Transportation Division at (816) 331-9455; taken during normal working hours and handled in accordance with the City's normal operating procedures. Complaints involving access to property or problems requiring immediate attention is handled on a priority basis. It is the City's intention to log all complaints and upgrade this policy as necessary in consideration of the demands and needs of the community, and any constraints on City resources. Electronic requests or complaints can be completed at www.belton.org.

This policy is in the best interests of the citizens and the Public Works Department as it provides information and improves expectations and accountability.



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Director of Public Works

5-16-12
Date



David Frazier
Street Superintendent

5-15-12
Date