



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

STREET SWEEPING POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL

I. INTRODUCTION

In the best interest of the residents of the City of Goodlettsville, the Public Works Department shall assume basic responsibility for sweeping public streets. Reasonable sweeping is necessary for vehicle and pedestrian safety, water quality, and environmental concerns. The City shall provide such service in a cost-effective manner keeping in mind safety; limited equipment, budget, and personnel; and environmental concerns. The City may use City equipment and employees, and/or private contractors to provide this service. Completion times and dates for street sweeping operations are dependent upon weather conditions and employee and equipment availability. Annually the City sweeps about 1,380 miles of public streets and as a result disposes of over 225 cubic yards of sediment, leaves and other debris.

The Public Works Director or his/her designee is responsible for scheduling of employees, equipment, and/or contractors to achieve the desired results of maintaining the city streets.

II. COMMENCING SWEEPING OPERATIONS A. Spring sweeping, primarily consists of removal of snow and ice control aggregate, sediment and other debris on the road surfaces, shall begin as soon as possible when streets are generally clear of snow and ice, and significant snow and ice storms diminish. Spring sweeping, designed to pick up the bulk of the aggregate, usually begins between mid-March and mid-April and is typically completed in early May.

A. Fall sweeping is typically scheduled to begin the third week of October and completed by the last week in November, weather permitting. Areas with extensive foliage shall be swept when leaves begin to fall to keep up with the accumulation rate of the leaves.

B. Sweeping operations are conducted as necessary throughout the year. Sweeping operations should focus on watershed areas which drain directly to significant water bodies, major roads, and the downtown area. Some factors that may prohibit or delay sweeping operations include temperatures below freezing, wind, heavy rain, snow and frozen gutter lines.

C. Citizen requests for sweeping shall be evaluated by the Public Works Director or his/her designee and a priority status determined.

D. State highways are the responsibility of the Tennessee Department of Transportation and county roads are the responsibility of Sumner County or Davidson County/Metro Transportation. The City may assist in sweeping operations on these roadways by request, by maintenance agreement, or under emergency conditions.