

Section 3. Snow, ice, dirt and rubbish on sidewalks (*Declared a nuisance March 1, 1993 # 13*)

Subd. 1. When deposits of snow, ice, and rubbish are declared a nuisance.

All snow, ice, dirt, and rubbish remaining on a public sidewalk more than 24 hours after its deposit thereon is declared to be a public nuisance. The owner and the occupant of any property adjacent to the public sidewalk shall use due diligence to keep such sidewalk safe for pedestrians by the removal of any snow, ice, dirt or rubbish which is deposited thereon, regardless of source. No owner or occupant shall allow snow, ice, dirt or rubbish to remain on the sidewalk longer than 24 hours after its deposit thereon.

Subd. 2. Public works director may remove deposits of snow, ice or rubbish.

The public works director may remove any and all snow, ice, dirt or rubbish from any public sidewalks as soon as practically possible, beginning 24 hours after deposit of the same thereon, or after snow has ceased to fall. The public works director shall keep a record showing the cost of such removal adjacent to each separate lot or parcel and shall deliver such information to the City Clerk. The public works director may order the removal of snow from public sidewalks in a commercial district where the accumulation of snow impedes public access or where such removal will facilitate snow removal from the commercial district.

Subd. 3. Determination of charges for removal.

The city council may from time to time prescribe by resolution the charges to be imposed for removal of snow, ice, dirt or rubbish remaining on public sidewalks in violation of this ordinance. The owner thereof shall pay all charges incurred within thirty (30) days after billing by the City Clerk. The City shall additionally have the power to certify any unpaid charges for taxes against the property adjacent to the sidewalk which was cleared incurring such costs.

Subd. 4. Penalties

Any violation of this ordinance by an owner or occupant shall constitute a petty misdemeanor. Each day that snow, ice, dirt or rubbish remains on a public sidewalk in violation hereof shall constitute a separate offense.