

452.17 SNOW EMERGENCIES.

Whenever, during any period of 24 hours or less, snow falls in the City, or in any section thereof, to a depth of two inches or more, an emergency is hereby declared to exist in that such a depth of snow constitutes a serious public hazard, impairing transportation, the movement of food, fuel and other supplies, medical care, fire, health and police protection, and other vital facilities of the City.

The Mayor or the Chief of Police shall make a reasonable effort to announce the existence of the emergency by the use of the local press and radio and television stations. Such emergency shall continue until an announcement by the Mayor or the Chief that snow plowing operations have been completed and that the emergency is terminated. However, owners and operators of motor vehicles shall have the responsibility of determining existing weather conditions and depth or extent of snow fall, and to comply with emergency parking regulations when such emergency is in effect.

During the period of the emergency, the Mayor or the Chief may prohibit the parking of vehicles upon any or all of the City streets. During such emergency, no person shall park or cause to be parked, or permit to be parked, or abandon or leave unattended, any motor vehicle of any kind on any of the City's streets or roads. However, vehicles may be parked for a period of not longer than three minutes for the actual loading or unloading of passengers, or 30 minutes for the actual loading or unloading of property or goods, provided that the operator of such vehicle is immediately available, and provided further than no other section of this chapter, or any other ordinance of the City restricting parking as to time or place, is violated.

Any motor vehicle parked in violation of this section shall be towed away and charged in accordance with Section [404.05](#).

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