



## **Town of Ponoka Snow and Ice Control Update – November 15, 2022**

*(November 15, 2022 – Ponoka, Alberta)* The Town of Ponoka is continuing snow and ice removal operations today, November 15 along the following priority routes:

- 59 Street between 57 Avenue and 61 Avenue;
- 57 Avenue between 50 Street and Highway 2A;
- 54 Street between Highway 2A and 57 Avenue;
- 54 Street between 48 Avenue and 45 Avenue; and
- 46 Avenue between 50 Street and 54 Street.

Motorists are asked to please take an alternate route to avoid snow and ice control equipment where possible. Motorists are also encouraged to slow down and drive for winter conditions.

Crews will also continue to salt, sand and clear snow where needed this week from sidewalks adjacent to Town-owned properties and on walking trails and park furniture (benches, picnic tables, etc.) in Town parks and throughout the trail system.

### **Please Watch for ‘No Parking’ Signs and Remove Parked Vehicles**

Please watch for ‘no parking’ signs and move parked vehicles from roadways on which ‘no parking’ signage is posted. Moving parked vehicles from roadways allows crews to conduct snow and ice control operations safely and more efficiently.

Removing your parked vehicle from roadways on which ‘no parking’ signage is posted in advance of snow and ice control operations is also a requirement under the Town’s Traffic Bylaw 388-17 and may result in fines and towing of the vehicle at the owner’s expense if needed.

### **Snow and Ice Control Progress Update**

Snow and ice removal operations were completed on the following priority routes yesterday and over the past weekend:

- 51 Street between 49 Avenue and 53 Avenue;
- 52 Street between 50 Avenue and 53 Avenue;
- 63 Street between 48 Avenue and 57 Avenue; and
- 60 Street between 48 and 57 Avenue.



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### **Online Service Requests**

To report an icy intersection, back alley, or snow-covered sidewalk that may need attention, please submit an online request by visiting [www.ponoka.ca](http://www.ponoka.ca). Scroll down and click on 'File an Online Service Request,' or you can also phone the Town Office at 403-783-4431 where Town staff can help fill out the online form for you.

Please note that Town winter operations crews work in conjunction with the Alberta Ministry of Transportation, which is responsible for snow and ice control on Highways 2A and 53 in Ponoka.

### **Please Clear Snow and Ice from Sidewalks Bordering Your Property**

Ponoka citizens are reminded to please help keep our community safe by ensuring sidewalks that border your property are clear of snow and ice.

By keeping the sidewalks adjacent to your property clear of snow and ice, you are helping protect the safety and well-being of your neighbours and fellow citizens in Ponoka. Keeping sidewalks that border your property clear of snow and ice is a requirement under the Town of Ponoka Community Standards Bylaw #384-17 and can result in fines when necessary.

When shovelling, residents are asked to please avoid depositing snow and ice onto the roadway and properties other than your own, which is also a requirement under the Bylaw. Shovelling snow onto your own property is also good for your grass when the snow melts in the spring.

### **Snow Removal and Ice Control Policy**

Town of Ponoka Snow and Ice Control operations are based on the Town's Snow and Ice Control Policy which can be viewed on the Town website at [www.ponoka.ca/p/snow-ice-control-program](http://www.ponoka.ca/p/snow-ice-control-program).

To see the Town's Priority Routes Map, please visit <https://www.ponoka.ca/Home/DownloadDocument?docId=f50f90ce-c0dd-4a94-b5ec-cb2583f905c0>

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