**Village of Buena Vista**

**Snow and Ice Control Policy**

**PURPOSE**:

The purpose of this policy is to establish the effective and efficient provision of Snow and Ice Control Operations allowing the municipality to function under normal winter weather conditions. A policy is necessary to make a clear statement of the intent of municipal snow and ice control operations and establish a framework for the priorities within which resources will be applied.

**POLICY**

1. The intent of Snow and Ice Control Operations is to maintain municipal streets and roads in a safe and passable condition. Snow and Ice Control services are not intended to eliminate all hazardous conditions on municipal roads. They are intended to assist vehicles which are properly equipped for winter driving and being operated in a manner consistent with good winter driving practices and to maintain safe and passable walking conditions for pedestrians in winter footwear.

2. The Village is responsible for Snow and Ice Control Operations of municipally owned roads and Municipal Facilities.

**OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES**

1. Snow and Ice Control Operations, including sanding and/or the application of de-icing materials, on Village owned streets will be undertaken by the Village through the Public Works Department.

2. Snow and Ice Control priorities are subject to change based on circumstances surrounding a particular snow fall at management’s discretion. Snow and Ice Control priorities following the end of a typical snow event shall be as follows:-

Priority One: Main transportation routes, emergency vehicle access.

 Priority Two: The timing of all other routes to be cleared will be determined by Management.

4. Vehicles, trailers and any other items stored or parked are prohibited from parking on roads as per our Traffic Bylaw 3-16.

5. Snow and Ice Control Operations for residential driveways will allow for a maximum 24-foot section to be cleared by the Village, through the Public Works and Maintenance Department, to provide access to one driveway.

6. It is not permitted to place snow or ice onto municipal roads, pathways, or onto Municipal Facilities by individuals or businesses.

This policy was adopted January 26, 2021.

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MAYOR ADMINISTRATOR

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Areas of Responsibility: Public Works Department