

## City of Cranbrook Snow Removal Policy

As this winter season approaches, we want to remind you of the City of Cranbrook current Snow and Ice Control procedures to better understand why the City clears snow the way it does. The policy in place clearly identifies four levels of priorities for streets for City crews to follow:

### STREETS

#### Classification “A” – FIRST PRIORITY

Major streets, hospital zones, roads that access emergency service facilities, roads with severe grades and transit routes will be cleared first. In some instances, snowfall is heavy enough and continual during the plowing process, that once these routes are cleared crews need to start them over again. That often causes a delay in getting to other areas of the City.

#### Classification “B” – SECOND PRIORITY

This includes collector streets, the central business district and school zones.

#### Classification “C” – THIRD PRIORITY

This includes other residential streets within the City whose immediate need for snow and ice control is not as important. Vehicles can move around with limited congestion at suitable speeds.

#### Classification “D” – FOURTH PRIORITY

The remaining streets, drives, crescents, lanes and alleys where traffic volume is relatively low. Traffic is able to proceed at lower speeds in these residential areas.

### SIDEWALKS

Sidewalks also have a priority system, but do not get cleared until the streets are in good enough condition that Public Works can shift personnel to snow clearing on *select* public sidewalks. As personnel are freed up from roadway snow removal, the City’s practice is to run one and sometimes two machines on sidewalks, beginning in the downtown core. **Residents are responsible for clearing windrows in front of their properties; the City does not clear those.** Residents are encouraged not to clear windrows from their properties into the streets; instead move the windrows onto your yard or the boulevard. It is also important to remember that by policy of the City of Cranbrook, Public Works does not clear Rotary Way.

For additional information about the City of Cranbrook Snow & Ice Control procedures, please contact:

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