



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Public Hearing on Snow & Ice Removal Ordinance on November 24, 2015

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is to receive input from the public on proposed changes to Section 7-6 of the Town Code on Snow and Ice Removal and for the Board to consider approving the attached proposed amended ordinance for Town Code Section 7-6.

DEPARTMENT: Manager's Office and Public Works

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INFORMATION: During the winter of 2014, several winter weather storms affected Carrboro. During that time, Town staff received concerns from citizens regarding the removal of snow specifically in the parking lots of business and multi-family housing dwellings. The concerns were for safety and prompt removal of snow after a storm. Town staff reviewed the current Town Code Section 7-6 and worked with the Town Attorney to revise this section to ensure that these specific types of parking lots were tended to in a timely manner during future winter weather incidents.

These Town Code changes are suggested in conjunction with changes being made in Public Works Winter Weather Plan. Changes in this plan will reflect Public Works beginning to clear sidewalks on heavily traveled roads in the winter of 2015. A current copy of the Winter Weather Plan is attached and also a list of proposed sidewalks which will be added to the policy beginning this winter.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Staff impact thus far has required staff and attorney research and time. There is no predicted fiscal impact involved with the proposed Town Code amendment.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider the public feedback on the proposed changes to Town Code Section 7-6 and take action on the proposed Town Code amendment.