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## City of Salem Releases Street Sweeping Schedule for 2023

Salem Acting Mayor Robert McCarthy announced today that spring street sweeping will begin on Salem's entrance corridors on Tuesday, March 21 through March 30 and continue into residential neighborhoods beginning on Monday, April 3 and running through May 5.

"I am committed to continue our street sweeping efforts to keep our entrance corridors, neighborhoods, and downtown clean." Acting Mayor Bob McCarthy stated. "We have a dedicated team of professionals across our DPS and Special Events Coordinator teams and I remain grateful for the dedication in keeping our city clean and approachable."

This year we will continue to implement our extensive entrance corridor sweeping schedule, which will result in entrance corridor streets being swept six times from March through September. Each entrance corridor will be swept over a period of two consecutive days which will alternate between the odd and even side of the streets. Each corridor will be posted with temporary 'No Parking/Tow Zone' signs and parking will be prohibited between the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. City workers will be utilizing blowers to clear corridor sidewalks of debris prior to the first entrance corridor sweep. You can find the 2023expanded entrance corridor sweeping schedule at <a href="https://www.salem.com/streetsweeping">www.salem.com/streetsweeping</a>.

Point Neighborhood. Sweeping will begin on March 27 and continue with sweeps taking place every second and fourth Monday of the month through September. Cars must be removed from **<u>both sides</u>** of the street on these days. 'No Parking/Tow Zone' signs will be posted and parking will be prohibited from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Residents on the affected streets may park in the South Harbor Parking Garage, free of charge between the hours of 8:00 p.m. Sunday to 8:00 p.m. Monday, with proof of residency.

On Wednesday, March 29 downtown sweeping will begin and continue on the third Wednesday of the month through September. Blowing will begin at 9:00 p.m. followed by street sweeping at 11:00 p.m. to approximately 3:00 a.m. The downtown area will be posted with 'No Parking Tow Zone' signs, so please remove vehicles from the affected downtown streets so they will not be towed. Residents on the affected streets may park free of charge at the Museum Place Garage from Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. to Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m., with proof of residency.

Residential neighborhood street sweeping will be done this Spring from April 3 to May 5 and this Fall from November 6 – December 6. Public Services Director David Knowlton stated, "Last year we scheduled fall

sweeping to begin in November to try to capture some of the fall leaves on the streets. This plan was very successful in removing street leaves, and we will continue this initiative this November."

Neighborhood sweeping will continue to take place on both sides of the street on the same day. Sweeping will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. As we have done in the past, each neighborhood route will be posted with temporary 'No Parking/Tow Zone' signs and parking will be prohibited between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Neighborhood streets are broken down into four zones. Sweep days are the next day after the regularly scheduled trash day. To find a specific street sweeping date, locate what zone your street is in on the 2023 Spring and Fall Street Sweeping Schedule and match it with the calendar. Monday sweep schedules are for the preceding Friday's trash day. **Please note the sweep date changes on the calendar because of holidays**. Street sweeping schedules can be found at <u>www.salem.com/streetsweeping</u>, or at the DPS office on 5 Jefferson Avenue. There is also a searchable map online at <u>www.salem.com/streetsweeping</u>.

Residents will be able to use entrance corridor streets as alternative parking areas on the day of their neighborhood sweep. Entrance corridor streets are Boston St., Bridge St., Essex St. (from Boston St. to North/Summer St.), Lafayette St. (from Derby St. to Marblehead line), Loring Ave., and North St. Once a neighborhood street is swept, residents will be able to move their vehicles back onto their street. For a complete list of parking alternatives go to <u>www.salem.com/streetsweeping</u>. Please remember if you choose to move your vehicle to an entrance corridor street that you must adhere to all current parking restrictions and metered rates on these entrance corridors, including resident only parking restrictions.

Public Services Director David Knowlton stated, "The fewer cars on the street, the better we can clean." Mr. Knowlton continued, "Our goal is to clean the streets, not to tow cars, so please park accordingly during scheduled street sweeping days."

Certain weather conditions prohibit the use of the street sweepers: during moderate to heavy rainfall and extreme cold temperatures sweepers will not be able to operate. Weather cancellations will be posted on <u>www.salem.com</u>.

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