



City of DeSoto Development Services

Construction Connection

Snow, Snow, and More Snow!!!

On Thursday, February 12, 2010, the City of DeSoto and the surrounding area received approximately twelve (12") inches of snow. This record



snowfall has been described as the most snow received in a twenty-four (24) hour period in recorded history. Although the snow made everything appear to be a beautiful winter wonderland, it created havoc on



City streets and caused considerable damage to area trees, residential carports and patio

covers, awnings, as well as some businesses.

The City of DeSoto Street Department works tirelessly throughout the day and night, if necessary, to clear City streets of debris such as broken limbs and fallen trees. However, the City does not clear the ice and snow from residential streets or sand residential streets and alleys unless there is a need to assist with access for emergency vehicles.



In addition, City employees do not clear driveways nor do they remove brush or fallen limbs and trees from private property. Please see page 2 of this newsletter for helpful tips in dealing with your brush or fallen trees.

As sleet, icing and/or

snowing begins, the Street Department will sand the busiest intersections first (ie: Hampton/Pleasant Run, Cockrell Hill/Pleasant Run). Belt Line will be sanded by the City if TxDOT doesn't perform the sanding first. The City will then sand remaining intersections, fol-



lowed by bridges and major roads with steep grades. If there is an ice event that lasts longer than two days, some of the major roads may be sanded their entire length (material permitting). The City does not sand on request.

Street closures may occur if streets are not passable and/or multiple accidents have occurred. These closures will be coordinated with the City of DeSoto Police Department.

Street Department



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Left to Right: Matt Miser, Lorenzo Tamayo, Brad Russell, Brent Asbill, Rod Matthews, Marcus Green, Terry Hawthorne, Sean Lynn, Roy Jennings, Jackie Thornton, Josh Hester. Not pictured: Kristen Hubacek.

During the recent snowstorm, this crew worked around the clock to clear City streets of debris and to sand major intersections to keep DeSoto's main thoroughfares as clear as possible. We would like to thank them for their hard work and their dedication to the residents and businesses of DeSoto.

What do we do with all this brush?

Due to the recent snowstorm, there is an abundance of brush throughout the City. During major storm events, brush collection will take longer than normal. Republic (Duncan Disposal) will pick up the brush as quickly as possible. This is true for all weather events that cause tree or shrub damage, not just the recent snowstorm.



Here are some helpful tips:

- Put all brush near your front curb.
- Try not to block the sidewalk if possible.
- Take care not to block your water meter.
- Do not put brush in the street.
- Do not stack piles so high that they cause a line-of-sight problem for motorists.
- If you choose to hire a tree-trimming service, you may be asked to pay a disposal or hauling fee, (for customers that pay this fee, the tree-trimming company should dispose of the brush for you).
- Large brush piles must be collected with a special truck, but small piles can be picked up by a regular garbage truck.
- Please be Patient!