



It Will Soon Be Winter Again – What Does That Mean for Road Conditions?

Why do I see City plow trucks working at all hours during a snow event?

The Public Services Department has moved to a more aggressive schedule that has operators plowing snow in the City twenty-three hours a day during a snow event. Please keep in mind that certain weather conditions can delay progress toward meeting these goals.

Why doesn't the snowplow get close to my mailbox?

The snowplow operators make every effort to remove snow as close to the curb line as practical. However, it is not possible to provide perfect conditions and minimize damage to mailboxes with the size and type of equipment the City operates. It is the homeowner's responsibility to keep the snow clear around their mailbox and to keep their mailbox in good repair so the weight of the snow from the plows will not knock the mailbox over.

Why do I see white streaks on the road?

The white streaks on the road are from a liquid salt brine, which is an anti-icing solution that the City applies to most major streets just before a predicted snowfall or ice event.



What is salt brine and how does it help?

Salt brine is a salt solution in liquid form applied before a snowfall or ice event to prevent snow and ice from bonding with the pavement. It is easier to prevent ice than to remove it once it has bonded to the pavement. This reduces the need for higher rock salt use.

Winter Reminders on City Ordinances

- **NO PARKING after 2 inches of snow accumulation:** At any time after two inches or more of snow has accumulated on any public street or alley, whether the accumulation is due to new fallen snow or the drifting or blowing of snow from previous snowfalls, it is unlawful to park any vehicle, trailer, camper, wagon, snowmobile, or other object or piece of equipment on any such public street or alley until the City has plowed the public street or alley.

Due to the limited number of available parking spots on 3rd Street, "No Parking" restrictions will be enforced from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. when two inches or more of snow has accumulated.

- **Keep walks clear:** The owner and the occupant of any property adjacent to a public sidewalk shall use due diligence to keep the walk safe for pedestrians. No owner or occupant shall allow snow, ice, dirt, or rubbish to remain on the walk longer than 48 hours after its deposit thereon.



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Don't Miss Out – Your Residential House Plans May Be Available

State Building Code requires house plans to be kept by the City for one year after the final inspection of a new construction home. The City has several years of house plans that are available for pick up by residents and homeowners. If you have lived in your home for more than one year, your plans may be available for you to pick up and keep. Having the plans for your home can help with new renovation projects or if there is an issue in your home.

If you live in an attached dwelling, such as a townhome, the City receives only one set of plans for the whole building. The City is not able to release these plans to an individual within the attached dwelling. In this case, a representative from the homeowners association can request a copy of the plans to hold for the buildings they manage.

To see if the City has a copy of your house plans, please visit www.cityofcarver.com/house-plans to

complete an inquiry form by December 1. Once the form has been submitted, we will reach out to you and let you know if your plans are available. At the time of pick up, you will need verification of your address matching the house plans you are picking up. This can be in the form of a driver's license or utility bill.



Introducing a New Way to Connect with the City

Do you want to be updated on a City construction project, a development, or city meetings via email or text? govDelivery is a program that the City uses to connect subscribers with accessible, relevant, and timely information. govDelivery allows each user to explore their options for different types of updates. The information subscribers provide allows the City to send the information requested, but any personal information is never shared with third parties for promotional purposes.

To sign up today, visit the City's website at www.CityofCarver.com/Invitation-Sign-Up. You will receive an invitation email to sign up for different communication updates.

Why Are Census Workers Out in the Communities Now?

You might see census takers in your neighborhood for a few different reasons:

- They are verifying addresses in preparation for the Census on April 1, 2020.
- They are collecting responses to the Census or another survey.
- They are dropping off Census materials.
- They are conducting quality checks related to the Census.



Census takers who verify addresses are called canvassers. They help ensure an accurate and complete count by verifying addresses and noting where houses, apartments, shelters, and other residences are located. Census takers will attempt to knock on every door in the neighborhood they are canvassing. For more information, visit www.2020census.gov/en/census-takers.

Upcoming Events

Carver Lions Brunch

Sunday, November 10, 2019 – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Carver City Hall, 316 Broadway, Carver



Carver Lions Senior Citizens Luncheon

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 – noon

Carver City Hall, 316 Broadway, Carver

Seniors (65+) are invited.

Reservations are required by December 6 – contact Lion Sandy McGraw at 952-856-2655.

The City Offices will be closed on the following dates in November:

- **Monday, November 11, in observance of Veteran's Day**

*We thank all who so bravely served
our country and protected our freedom!*



- **Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, in observance of Thanksgiving**

**Daylight Saving's Time Ends Sunday, November 3, 2019 –
Turn your clocks back one hour!**

Rental Space is Now Available in the New City Hall

The City is now taking reservations for Village Hall, the new community space in City Hall. Village Hall is an ideal location for community events, wedding receptions, business meetings, birthday and anniversary parties, and many other activities. The space includes seating for 144, a commercial kitchen, and a patio area facing the City's historic downtown.



In addition to the space available at City Hall, the City has a historic church available for rental. Church by the River is located at 109 Main Street East and is a great option for smaller events.



Information about these rental facilities is located on the City's website at www.cityofcarver.com. For more information and to inquire about a reservation for your upcoming event, visit the City's website or contact Brenda Good at 952-448-8731 or via email at bgood@cityofcarver.com.

Residents Qualify for Additional Flood Insurance Premium Discounts

The City of Carver recently achieved a flood class improvement rating with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program. Residents and businesses within the City of Carver are now eligible for a 20 percent flood insurance premium discount, which is an improvement from the previous 15 percent that was in place.

Property owners and renters can insure their property and possessions from flood damage. Residents do not have to live in the floodplain to qualify for flood insurance. Information about flood insurance and this discount can be obtained from your insurance agent.

For more information about the City's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program and helpful information to protect yourself and natural floodplains from flood hazards, visit the City's website at www.cityofcarver.com/flood.



"The City of Carver successfully participates in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System. The community has undertaken a series of meaningful activities to protect its citizens from losses caused by flooding and has significantly exceeded the requirements for NFIP participation and effective floodplain management."

David I Maurstad,
Federal Emergency Management Agency