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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

- To: Board of Public Works
- From: Jake Van Gompel
- Date: 5/6/2024
- Re: Agenda Item 2h. Snow Removal Bill 109 W 4th St.

Discussion:

City crews were sent out on 1/24/24 to remove snow from private walks. This removal was done 10 days after the last accumulating precipitation. Mr. Purifoy's property at 109 W 4th St. was one of the 21 properties crews completed snow removal on. Attachments show Mr. Purifoy's property before and after removal. There are also two additional properties attached that show before and after photos of the removal completed by city staff. Mr. Purifoy is grieving the assessment claiming there was accumulation on 1/23/24 and that city crews didn't give him the approved timeframe in ordinance 8.13 of 48 hours to have the snow removed.

Recommended action:

Although there was freezing fog and flurries on the morning of 1/23/24, there was no accumulation that required any maintenance of paved surfaces. All pictures attached show no signs of accumulation from the night before. The snow that required removal from Mr. Purifoy's property needed to be removed to comply with ordinance 8.13 and there were 240 hours between the last accumulation and city staff removal, which in result, created a \$150.00 minimum assessed fee for the 44 feet of snow removal.

For the safety of our residents and timeframe allowed I believe this fee of \$150.00 for snow removal should be enforced.