Sec. 62-2. - Ice and snow on public sidewalks and private streets.

- (a) Declared a hazard. All snow and ice remaining upon public sidewalks or private streets is hereby declared to constitute a public health and safety hazard and shall be abated by the owner of the abutting or surrounding, respectively, private property within 24 hours after such snow and ice has ceased to be deposited, to provide a minimum 16-foot clear drivable path on the street. This requirement shall not impose obligations on owners greater than those followed by the City of Marshall for snow and ice removal on city streets and sidewalks on city owned properties.
- (b) City to remove. The city may cause to be removed, or otherwise abated, from all public sidewalks and private streets, beginning 24 hours after snow or ice has ceased to fall, all snow and ice which may be discovered thereon, and it shall keep a record of the cost of such removal, or abatement, and the private property adjacent to, or surrounded by, which such accumulations were found and removed or otherwise abated.
- (c) Cost of removal. The cost of snow or ice removal or abatement done in accordance with subsection (b) of this section shall be billed to the owner of the abutting or surrounding property. If such bill is not paid within 30 days, the city administrator shall, upon direction of the council after public hearing, and on receipt of the information provided for in subsection (b) of this section, extend the cost of such removal or abatement of snow or ice as a special assessment against the property abutting public sidewalks, or surrounding private streets, which were cleared. Such special assessments shall, at the time of certifying taxes to the county auditor, be certified for collection as other special assessments are certified and collected in accordance with applicable state statutes.
- (d) Placing snow or ice in public street, walks or on other city property. It is a misdemeanor for any person, not acting under a specific contract with the city, to remove snow from private property or alleys and place the snow on a public street or walks in such quantity, or in such manner, as to cause a hazard to travel, without adequate arrangements for the immediate removal of the snow. It is also a misdemeanor for any person not acting under a contract with the city to dump snow on other city property.

(Code 1976, § 7.04; Ord. No. 733 2nd Series, § 1, 2-12-2019)

State Law reference— Special assessments for snow and ice removal, Minn. Stat. § 429.101.