



## **Stapleton Snow Removal**

Many Stapleton residents continue to ask who is responsible for snow removal throughout Stapleton. The answer is that there are several entities who take on snow removal responsibilities on a regular basis from the City and County of Denver down to individual Property Owners. The system works when everyone does their part.

**Major Roadways and Arterials** are the responsibility of Denver's department of Public Works. Snow removal on these designated roadways starts prior to every snow event and continues through its completion. Roads are placed in different priority levels and are addressed as equipment becomes available. For a complete diagram of these identified roads please visit the [StapletonCommunity.com](http://StapletonCommunity.com) web site.

**Neighborhood Streets** are not addressed on a regular basis by the City unless a "Major Snow Event" of one foot or more occurs. The City's policy for Major Snow Events can be found on the [StapletonCommunity.com](http://StapletonCommunity.com) website.

**Neighborhood Sidewalks** are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner or Sub Association. When the sidewalk is located adjacent to a community park or parkway the Stapleton MCA will remove snow. When the sidewalk is located adjacent to a Regional Park (East West Greenway, Westerly Creek) Denver Parks and Rec will be responsible for snow removal.

**Neighborhood Alley Surfaces** are to be routinely maintained by the adjacent property owner or Sub-Association. Residents and sub-associations are not permitted to shovel or plow snow in such a manner that it impacts the access of the alley by any vehicle. Snow should always be shoveled, plowed and stored onto the landscaping areas located within each alley easement. **Residents or Sub-association found to have caused access issues due to improper snow plowing will be issued a violation notice and corresponding fine for the cost to cure if the MCA is required to remedy the situation.** Please respect all residents need to access their property via the rear alleys by never plowing or shoveling snow onto any alley surface that impacts access to any garage.

**During Major Snow Events** as defined by current Denver City & County standards, the Stapleton MCA will initiate its emergency snow removal plan for the alleys along with the City's plan for neighborhood streets. In the event of a major snow event, the snow removal plan will include the continuous use of heavy equipment, light equipment and hand work to remove snow from alleys, intersections and major pedestrian paths. Alley work will be limited to the removal of enough snow from the alleys so residents can access their garages. This emergency only procedure involves attempting to open up a single drive lane through each alley



in the community. The drive lanes will not be scraped down to pavement, to eliminate the need to truck any snow off site. This allows us to expedite the process ensuring that we can get to everyone's alley within the shortest period possible. This procedure does not negate individual property owners from participating in the snow removal during these types of storms.

Although we are unable to address the complete removal of snow on the roads, it is our goal during a major snow events to remove enough material to allow for some level of travel in and out of the alleys. Paths and parks are done to open up some level of pedestrian travel. We will continue to address all the pocket parks and pathways to ensure that they are as snow free as possible to promote pedestrian access throughout the community.

It is our goal to continue to define the snow removal program during major and minor snow events as the community grows; specifically by coordinating with the other agencies and private property owners such that we can address the urgent needs of the community utilizing our current resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keven A. Burnett".

Keven A. Burnett  
Executive Director