

CITY OF BELLEVILLE
ORDINANCE NO. 14-004

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, "STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND CERTAIN OTHER PUBLIC PLACES, BY ADDING SECTION 78-153, "SNOW EMERGENCY" IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING A PROVISION FOR DECLARATION OF A "SNOW EMERGENCY".

The City of Belleville ordains:

SECTION 1. Section 78-153 in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Belleville is hereby added to read as follows:

SNOW EMERGENCY

(a) A snow emergency shall be in effect in the City whenever a notice of a storm warning is declared by one or both of the following:

(1) The Mayor, upon the advice and consent of the City Manager (or designee), or Chief of Police (or a designee), or the Superintendent of the Department of Public Services (or a designee); and/or

(2) The National Weather Service.

(b) "Notice" for purposes of this section, shall be given via community-wide broadcast on television, radio, cable television, telephone and/or personal announcement, community events sign and the City website.

(c) "Appreciable snow accumulation," for purposes of this section, means an amount of snow that would normally necessitate removal by the Department of Public Service in order to insure safe and efficient traffic flow and/or parking.

(d) During a snow emergency, no person shall park, nor shall any owner of a motor vehicle leave, a motor vehicle, trailer, boat or implement on any street in the City where there is an appreciable snow accumulation one hour following the issuance of a notice of a snow emergency and until such time as the emergency is lifted.

(e) The provisions of this section shall be posted by appropriate signage throughout the City.

(f) Any vehicle, trailer, boat or implement found to be parked in violation of this section may be impounded by a City-approved towing service at the direction of the police as follows:

(1) Immediate removal, if such vehicle, trailer, boat or implement is parked in such a manner so as to violate any relevant provision of the Section 86-61 of the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages.

(2) Within twenty-four hours after declaration of a snow emergency. No warning citation ordering removal within twenty-four hours need be issued.

(3) Any vehicle, trailer, boat or implement towed and impounded under this section shall be towed and impounded at the owner's expense.


SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. Should any section, clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance, as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid.

SECTION 3. REPEAL. All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective ten (10) days after adoption and publication.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED

By the City Council of the City of Belleville, this 15th day of December, 2014.



Kerreen Conley, Mayor



Lisa Long, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

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I further certify that the foregoing was published in the Belleville Area Independent, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Belleville, on the 18th day of December, 2014.



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