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Senior Snowplow Program Proposal **Draft**

PURPOSE

The City of Hudson Senior Snowplow Program is designed to provide residents 65+ and/or adults with disabilities an opportunity to safely leave their home during inclement weather and attend medically necessary appointments, pick-up prescriptions, or access emergency services. The annual program will offer snow removal services free of charge to qualified residents. Residents will be provided with up to five (5) vouchers annually.

ELIGIBILITY

Hudson residents 65+ and/or adults with disabilities without an abled-bodied individual living in the household may sign-up for annual snowplow services. Households must meet the Homestead Exemption qualifications to participate in the program. Information will be verified through the Summit County Fiscal Office tax record.

APPLICATION PERIOD

Residents who intend to participate in the program must sign up annually from August 1-August 31 to provide accurate driveway and sidewalk counts in the bid documents.

If City Council wishes to implement this program in 2023, the application period may be expedited and run concurrently to the bid request.

SERVICES

Base services may include:

- Driveway clearing and salting – One pass through of snowplow, edge to edge, up to an 8' width, from nearest home egress to roadway, up to a 150' length.

Optional services may include:

- Snow removal and salting of handicapped ramp or personal sidewalk if a residence includes a detached garage.
- Accessibility of City sidewalk and personal mailbox.

The contractor will be contacted by the resident when the service is needed. Contractor must collect the resident voucher at the time of service.

Services will not include secondary driveways.

SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITIES

The City of Hudson will make every attempt to include all three priority areas in the bid proposal.

- Priority #1 – One pass through of snowplow, edge to edge, up to an 8' width, from nearest home egress to roadway, up to a 150' length.

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- Priority #2 – Shovel and salt handicapped accessibility ramp or personal sidewalk if the homeowner has a detached garage.
- Priority #3 – Shovel City sidewalk in front of the home and a pathway from end of driveway to the mailbox.

If City Council wishes to implement this program in 2023, only priority #1 may be requested in a bid due to the timing of this proposal.

RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Participants enrolled in the program must sign an application and waiver each year.

Prior to the start of the season, residents must clearly mark their driveway with 48”-72” markers to receive services and ensure their address is visible from the street. Driveways are to be clear of obstructions, such as parked vehicles.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Comparable programs in Summit County cost between \$10,000-25,000 annually to provide **only** a snowplowing service (no shoveling). The estimate per driveway equates to \$16-40 per snow fall.

Many municipalities fund this program with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The City of Hudson may apply in 2024 for the 2025 program year for CDBG funds.

The City may choose to cap the number of participants or implement a voucher program to adhere to a specified program budget.

It is recommended the City budget up to \$30,000 annually to provide the snowplow and shoveling service. The budget will allow up to 120 residents to participate and receive five (5) vouchers.

PILOT PROGRAM

If City Council wishes to implement a Senior Snowplow Program for the Winter 2023-24, the services provided would include one snowplow pass through of the driveway, edge to edge, up to an 8’ width and a 150’ length. Registration would be capped at 50 participants. Estimated budget of \$12,500. Data collected from the pilot program would be used to enhance future services.