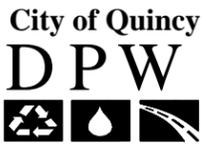




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Dear Neighbor,

I know it seems a little too soon, but the leaves are starting to turn. And that means the Department of Public Works is preparing for its annual transition from road construction and infrastructure improvements to its fall and winter operations of leaf collection, street-sweeping, and of course, snow removal.

Please take a moment to review the DPW Fall/Winter 2014 InfoLetter. Inside, you will find important information on yard waste pick-up and street sweeping

schedules, winter parking rules and important phone numbers in an easy-to-read format. Keep the InfoLetter handy, as the information provided will be pertinent until next spring.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 617-376-1990 if I can be of assistance in any matter.
Sincerely,

Mayor Thomas P. Koch



The dangers of snow and ice begin at your front door. Be a good neighbor on snowy days.

請為所有在你周遭居住及工作的他人著想,把你住處行人道上的積雪及結冰清掃乾淨

Please keep your sidewalk and steps free and clear of ice and snow for the Postal Service, the oil delivery person, police, firefighters and emergency responders. Don't force school children to walk in the street. Help your elderly neighbors with shoveling.



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Another Robust Construction Season

As part of Mayor Koch's commitment to improving the city's infrastructure, the Department completed the second year of its proactive Comprehensive Storm Drain/Catch Basin Cleaning and Evaluation Program. Utilizing department personnel and a private contractor, 1,145 tons of debris was removed from 1,700 catch basins across the city dramatically improving the efficiency of our drainage system.



A Water/Sewer/Drain technician repairs a leaky water delivery pipe.

Knowing that this would be a challenging season for mosquitoes, the Water/Sewer/Drain Division partnered with the Norfolk County Mosquito Control District and the City of Quincy Health Department to implement an expanded mosquito control program in the city. Targeting a prime breeding ground for

the potentially dangerous pests – standing water in our catch basins and storm drains—division employees deposited fast-acting and effective mosquito insecticide tablets into 9,000 catch basins around the city. This timely action sufficiently eradicated the potential for catch

basins to act as mosquito breeding grounds.

The Water/Sewer/Drain Division completed a citywide leak detection survey designed to identify leaks in our underground water distribution system. Using the latest leak detection technology, 230 miles of pipe were surveyed. Twenty eight (28) leaks, ranging in

size from 3/4" service connections to 12" water mains, were identified and repaired. It is estimated that this important initiative will save water/sewer ratepayers the sum of \$250,000 dollars per year.

In addition, the Water/Sewer/Drain Division also installed new water mains on Edison Street, Newbury Avenue, Glover Avenue and Faxon Road.

The Traffic and Parking Division painted 536 crosswalks and 162 miles of roadway pavement markings while the Highway Division repaired 350 concrete and asphalt sidewalks. As always, the Engineering Division assisted in all major construction projects.

Fun Fact—A new metering system enabled the Water Billing staff to notify 10% of our customers (3,500), of significant spikes in their water usage last year. This allowed customers to make the necessary repairs before the leaks became more expensive.

City Mourns Passing of a Model Civil Servant



City in a variety of capacities as a heavy

The DPW was deeply saddened this summer by the loss of long-time City employee Joseph W. Koch in August.

Joe worked for the

equipment operator for 36 years, including most recently as a general foreman for the DPW. He played an instrumental role in a number of DPW projects, including the reorganization of the DPW yard and he was a leader of our snow removal operation every year.

His career achievements, including the Adams, Pageant, Quarry Street, Mound Street, Teel, Faxon Park and Upper Merrymount fields leave a great legacy of service to his City. He will be deeply missed and we ask that you keep the Koch family in your thoughts and prayers.

TVs and Toilets Not Allowed in Curbside Trash



To have televisions and computer monitors collected by your curbside trash collector you must call Sunrise Scavenger at 617-376-7556 at least 2-full business day before your regular trash.

Please do not place toilets curbside for regular trash collection. They will not be picked-up. Toilets should be brought to the Braintree Transfer Station or disposed by your plumber/contractor. For more information call the Braintree Transfer Station at 781-843-6209.



若需要 Sunrise(日出) 垃圾收集公司在路邊收取你廢棄的電視機或電腦熒幕機件, 你必須在你垃圾收集日的兩天前預先電話通知。電話號碼: 617-376-7556.

請不要把廁所馬桶放在路邊等候收集。它們不會被收取。廁所應送到Braintree 垃圾轉運站或由你的修水喉工人/工程承包商處置或棄掉。詳情查詢, 請電Braintree垃圾站: 781-843-6209.

Important Numbers

24-Hr. Emergency.....	617-376-1910
Commissioner Raymondi.....	617-376-1959
Water Billing.....	617-376-1918
Water/Sewer/Drain.....	617-376-1910
Waste and Recycling.....	617-376-1953
..... or e-mail recyclequincy@quincyma.gov	
Sunrise Scavenger	617-376-7556
Engineering	617-376-1950
Street Sweeping.....	617-376-1957
Pot Hole Hotline.....	617-376-1957
Snow Removal.....	617-376-1927

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day

Household hazardous waste drop-off day is **Saturday, October 4, 2014** from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. at the DPW yard, 55 Sea St. This service is free and available to Quincy residents only. Some of the eligible items for disposal are oil based paints, thinners, oils and varnishes, household cleaners, drain cleaners, automotive fluids, chemical fertilizers and insecticides,

thermostats, thermometers, ni-cad and lithium batteries, roofing tar and driveway sealants. When gathering products for the drop-off event, leave materials in original containers and tighten all caps and lids. Sort and pack items separately in sturdy upright boxes. NEVER MIX CHEMICALS. Do not smoke while handling hazardous material and do not bring children in the car with you.

Items not accepted at the hazardous materials drop-off day are latex paint, tires, ammunition, fireworks and explosives, prescription medicine, radioactive waste. For the proper disposal of these materials visit the City's website www.quincyma.gov/Government/PWD/Trash.cfm, and scroll down to "How can I get rid of..."

Fun Fact—Over 100,000 people consume nearly 9.5 million gallons of water every day in Quincy.

One gallon of paint or a quart of motor oil can seep into the earth and pollute 250,000 gallons of drinking water.*

One spilled gallon of gasoline can pollute 750,000 gallons of water.*

*U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation

Winter Parking Rules

To find out if a snow emergency has been declared call **617-770-7669** for a recording. If you have cable TV, tune to channels 8 or 11. On your computer, go to the City's web page at www.quincyma.gov.

You can also receive **ALERTS** directly to your personal e-mail or your cell phone by signing up at <http://www.quincyma.gov/CityLink/>.

a snow emergency has been declared, get further help by calling the **Snow Hotline at 617-376-1927**.

The following winter parking rules apply during every Snow Emergency.

No parking allowed on either side of Emergency Arteries during a Snow Emergency. Residents on side streets (non Emergency

Arteries) are allowed to park on the **EVEN SIDE** of the street this snow season. This is determined by which year the snow season begins. During even year snow seasons (2014), parking is permitted on the even side of the street.

Overnight parking on the street is **prohibited** all year without a resident parking permit. Permits are available at the Quincy Police

Department, One Sea Street. Vehicles in violation of winter parking rules will be towed at owner's expense. Also, if your vehicle is hampering snow removal operations (i.e. parked too close to an intersection, etc.) it will be towed. The average tow fee is \$125, plus cost of storage. No exceptions can be made for short term parking.

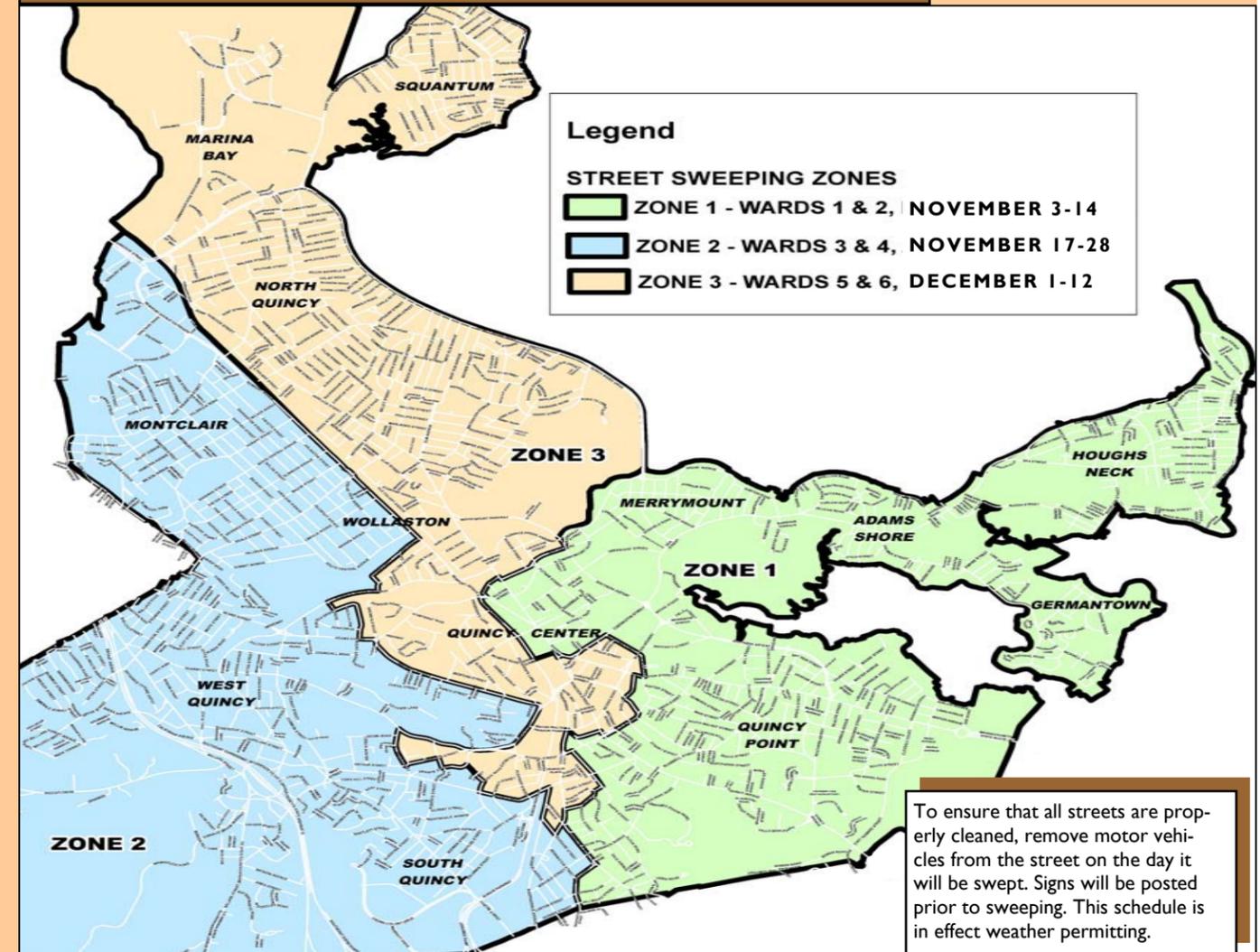
Fun Fact—Textile recycling bins in every public school yard diverted 90 tons of clothing from the waste stream saving thousands in disposal fees and earned the Parent Teacher Organizations over \$9,000.

How To Recycle

Curbside collection of Single Stream Recycling is provided every week to residents of buildings with 8 units or less. The City does not distribute recycling containers. Put a blue, Single Stream recycling sticker on any existing barrel. Free Single Stream stickers and a coupon worth \$10 towards the purchase of a recycling barrel are available at the DPW and City Hall. Call 617-376-1953 or e-mail recyclequincy@quincyma.gov to have them mailed to you.

PAPER	PLASTIC	GLASS	METAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All paper and cardboard (paper clips and staples OK) Mail and envelopes (with windows OK) Magazines and catalogs Paperback books Shredded paper in clear plastic bags 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soda juice and water bottles Shampoo bottles Milk and juice jugs Detergent, bleach and softener bottles Clean yogurt and food containers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All colors Condiment jars Wine, beer and soda bottles Fruit and sauce jars Baby food jars Vinegar bottles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aluminum and tin cans Aluminum pic plates and serving trays Clean tin foil Empty aerosol cans
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Milk and juice cartons Paper bags Fax and computer paper Cereal boxes Toilet paper cores Egg cartons Frozen food boxes Soap boxes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rigid plastic Plastic bags, food wrap Cellophane Dry cleaning bags Styrofoam Coat hangers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broken glass cups, dishes and plates Windows Ceramics Mirrors Light bulbs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coat hangers Propane tanks (take to retailer) Bring scrap metal to DPW yard
Do Not Recycle:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper towels, facial tissues, towelettes, and napkins Wax paper Hard cover books (Bring books, cassettes and video tapes to DPW yard) 			

Street Sweeping Schedule



Expanded Yardwaste Schedule

Yardwaste is collected on your regular trash day during the highlighted weeks of this calendar. Place leaves, grass clippings and twigs into paper bags, cardboard boxes or in barrels marked with YARDWASTE stickers. Stickers are required on all yardwaste barrels. NO PLASTIC BAGS. You may drop-off yardwaste and recyclables at the DPW yard M-F, 7:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. and on Saturdays through December 13, from 7:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. Quincy MA Drivers License required.

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Yardwaste Collection Day (Yellow background)

Holiday (Orange circle)

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day (Green diamond)

Curbside collection of Christmas trees (Red circle around Jan 8-9)

Branches with a diameter of 2.5 inches or less must be cut into 3-foot lengths, bundled and tied.