

Appendix E
Implementation of Summer Maintenance Sweep Program

Current:

Presently the City of Regina (City) only addresses safety concerns outlined *The Cities Act* and requests paid by internal departments.

Throughout the year, Administration receives approximately 100 service requests regarding safety hazards on streets (broken glass, accidents, spill clean-up, and rock/nails), in which under *The Cities Act*, the City must clean the areas. The City also receive approximately 36 service requests from other internal City of Regina branches which are directly funded by the business area requesting.

Concern:

Prior to 2017, the City performed sweeping activities from June to October, internally referred to as the Summer Sweep. The Summer Sweep primarily focused on the downtown core, major roadways prior to special events such as Cathedral Arts Festival, Queen City Marathon, etc., new subdivisions, and areas that saw an unusual amount of material on the roadway throughout the summer. It also provided the City the opportunity to revisit areas that may have had low vehicle compliance during the Spring Sweep Program. Often this work was led by service requests.

Other municipalities sweeping activities after the Spring Sweep Program include one of the following:

- having a summer maintenance sweeping program that takes care of high-speed routes, the downtown and service requests, or
- completing sweeping activities on an ad-hoc basis typically by the form of requests for service from residents

Cost of Enhancement:

The cost of this enhancement is \$76,000 annually charged to the operating budget and requires Council Approval during the 2022 Budget Process.

Advantages:

- provide sweeping service for all the described activities above
- achieve an aesthetically pleasing environment
- reduces dust or other debris on the roads
- safer pedestrian travel by removing obstacles

Disadvantages:

- operating costs for funding required that is not included in current budgets