The petition shall be submitted to the Public Works Department for verification of the percentage. A report, with the petition, will be forwarded to the P&TC for review and action.

### Why Do I Have To Submit A Petition?

It is our experience that resident initiated petitions allow the neighborhood to participate at the early stage of the issue. It also encourages and promotes a better understanding of the desires of your neighbors. It is an effective way to reach a consensus and secure a "buy-in" from the neighborhood.

### What Happens After The PTC Approves My Request?

Once the PTC approves your request, staff will order the appropriate signs for posting in your neighborhood. To avoid the proliferation of signs, we will only install one sign at the beginning of each residential block. The sign will indicate the "time and day" that parking is prohibited. Normally, it will take about 3 to 4 weeks to have the signs fabricated and installed.

The Whittier Police Department will be responsible for enforcing the established parking provision. All vehicles that are parked in violation of the posted sign will be cited and fined.

For More Information .....

Please visit our City website at:

www.cityofwhittier.org

or contact us:

For Street Sweeping Schedule

(562) 567-9558

For Petition Form To Establish "NO PARKING" Zone

(562) 567-9500

For Police Enforcement

(562) 567-9200

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## City of Whittier

### **Public Works Department**



# Street Sweeping Service



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### Whittier's Street Sweeping Service

The City of Whittier provides its residents with *street sweeping service* in an effort to beautify and enhance the aesthetics of our 200-mile City street system.

Our goal is to serve you by maintaining a healthy, safe and clean environment for our community. Our street sweeping service supports our effort to comply with the Federal Clean Water Act and to conform to the National Pollutants Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Best Management Practices to protect our storm drain system.

### How Do We Carry Out This Service?

**W**e operate two (2) street sweepers daily. These sweepers are responsible to visit and clean every street on a bi-weekly basis. In another words, you should notice these sweepers going by your property frontage every other week. Their job is to pick up litter and debris that are deposited along the roadway as well as in the gutter areas.



These sweepers begin working in the early morning hours, usually around 5:30 AM and run until 2:00 PM.

Our sweepers also respond to your requests, as our schedule allows, for additional sweeping under special or unusual situations.

#### Some Of The Difficulties We Encounter

**O**ne may consider our job pretty straightforward; nevertheless, we encounter difficulty on a daily basis.

First, we constantly encounter parked cars along our sweeping routes. This problem is most apparent in multi-family residential neighborhoods, especially around high-density apartment developments. Parked cars prohibit us to clean the gutter area where the majority of the litter and debris accumulates.

Secondly, many residents or their gardeners, while cutting/cleaning of the front yard's, blow off large piles of leaves and debris into the gutter areas waiting for our sweepers to pick them up. As you may not be aware, our sweepers are not designed to pick up such a large pile of leaves. However, it should be noted that such an act is in violation of the Federal Clean Water Act and one can be cited and fined for thousand of dollars for deliberately causing debris to run into the County's storm drain system. Residents or their gardeners should make every effort to deposit the debris into trash containers.

### A Pro-Active Approach

To help the City deliver effectively street sweeping services to your neighborhood, we have developed a procedure for you to establish "NO PARKING" zones on the street sweeping day. The zones will be designated by posted signs at the beginning of each block and will be enforced by the Whittier Police Department.



How Do I Go About Having The "No Parking" Signs Posted?

All parking regulations are established by the City's Parking and Transportation Commission (PTC). You can obtain a petition form from the Public Works Department and circulate it around your neighborhood. You should secure the signatures of your city block supporting the posting of the "NO PARKING" sign prohibiting on-street parking on the street sweeping day. A majority of support is needed.