

# OPINION: New Bedford Street Sweeping program is not well-thought out at all!

Many city residents received a post in the mail recently describing the street sweeping program that will run from April 5th to November 1st. "There will be no parking on **both** sides of the street overnight from midnight Thursday to 6am Friday. Failure to follow the posted street sweeping signs will result in your vehicle being towed."

One resident voiced her opinion on the program and her concerns:

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*Can somebody please tell me how this is even going to work???  
No parking on either side on a main street? I could see one side at a time but both sides?*

How are people supposed to find parking when the side streets are so heavily engulfed with cars? Even during a blizzard we get one side for parking. I'm sorry but this is just absolutely ridiculous and not well thought out at all. – **Mary-Jo Costeira**



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Dear New Bedford Resident,

In an effort to remove general debris, trash, and pollutants, from the curb lines of the streets, the Department of Public Infrastructure will be implementing an enhanced bi-weekly street sweeping program. This program will run April 1st to November 1st.

There will be no parking on both sides of the street overnight on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from midnight Thursday to 6:00am Friday on the following streets:

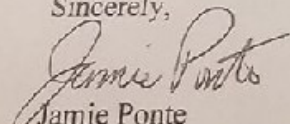
- **Dartmouth Street** from Matthew Street to Allen Street
- **Kempton Street** from Rockdale Avenue to Sixth Street
- **Mill Street** from County Street to Rockdale Avenue
- **Rivet Street** from Route 18 to Hemlock Street

Failure to follow the posted street sweeping signs will result in your vehicle being towed. During this time frame parking will be prohibited within the posted areas to allow sweepers full access to the curb line. This focused area of sweeping is in addition to the regular weekly schedule of street sweeping on the City's main thoroughfares.

If you have any questions, please contact James Costa of the Department of Public Infrastructure at 508-979-1550 ext. 67344

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
Jamie Ponte  
Commissioner, DPI



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