

Mayor's Update



More snow is on the way.

The City of Newton contracts with WeatherWorks, a meteorological service, for forecasts specific to Newton. Their latest forecast has a confidence level of 45% for 5 to 8 inches of snow between now and early afternoon tomorrow. (There is a 30% chance of 8 to 12 inches and a 25% chance of 5 inches or less.)

Because the snow isn't expected to taper off until early tomorrow afternoon, a **Snow Emergency Parking Ban will begin at midnight and go to 3:00 p.m.** on Tuesday. No cars can be parked on the street or in municipal parking lots during this time period. This allows our DPW crews and contractors to plow effectively.

The Newton Public Schools, City Hall, the Library and the Senior Center will be closed on Tuesday. (We'll decide mid-day tomorrow whether the City Council Land Use Committee meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at City Hall will be held.)

At this time **trash and recycling is expected to be collected on schedule. Yard waste collection, however, is postponed** for one week until next Tuesday, Dec. 10.

We receive Newton-specific weather forecasts twice daily, and our latest update this afternoon shows temperatures falling to a low of 29 overnight with wind gusts up to 30 to 40 miles per hour. The sky should be clear by Tuesday night with a mix of clouds and sun with temperatures 35-40 degrees expected for Wednesday.

Check the City's website at newtonma.gov for up-to-date information.

Don't forget the City's new ordinance requiring shoveling the sidewalk in front of your home within 24 hours of when the snow stops falling, or potentially facing a fine. Also, call 311 if you see a plow truck pushing snow from private property onto a sidewalk or road.

Stay safe,

Ruthanne

