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Seasonal parking ban ends

March 14, 2017

The seasonal parking ban that began on Monday, March 13 at 7 a.m. officially ended this morning at 7 a.m.

Seasonal parking bans are implemented after significant snowfalls (generally more than 10 cm) so that snow removal equipment can clear the roads effectively and efficiently. Until the ban was officially lifted at 7 a.m., vehicles parked on designated parking ban routes were subject to tagging and towing.

"Even with warm weather in the forecast, it was necessary to declare a seasonal parking ban to ensure our residents had a safe driving surface after the weekend snowfall," said Eduardo Sosa, Director of Roadway Maintenance. "We were able to clear freeways and arterial roads within 36 hours of the end of the snowfall, as per our policy.

"Edmontonians were, as a whole, very good about abiding by parking restrictions during the ban," said Parking Enforcement Coordinator Erin Blaine. "We issued 321 tickets, which is a really good number compared to the most recent comparable ban in November 2015, when we issued 750. This shows that citizens are better understanding the role they play in helping crews do their work."

Crews continue to monitor City roads and sidewalks to ensure safe winter driving conditions. Drivers are reminded to be cautious, drive for winter conditions and give our equipment space on the road.

This is the only seasonal parking ban of 2017. The most recent ban was December 26, 2016.

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