

# THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

**POLICY TITLE:** BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE POLICY

**POLICY #** 5420

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

It is the policy of Council to recognize the rationale for boulevards.

**POLICY BACKGROUND:**

To ensure winter road maintenance efficacy, operators are required to clear the snow to the full width of the paved road surface. This invariably results in truck plows extending onto the boulevard beyond the paved road. When lawns extend from private property onto the boulevard, right to the paved surface of the road, and when these lawns are at the same elevation as the pavement, or higher, they are damaged by the truck blade. The Village has traditionally inspected boulevards for damage every spring and reseeded areas showing snow plow damage. While Council acknowledges that such damage is disheartening for property owners who take pride in the appearance of their property, citizens are reminded that a fine lawn is not always compatible with the primary purposes of a boulevard.

**POLICY GOAL:**

It is the goal of this policy to limit the annual cost of repairing boulevard winter damage.

**POLICY OBJECTIVES:**

1. Not to repair incidental damage resulting from municipal operations to lawns and landscaping located on boulevards and within 1 meter of the paved road surface.
2. To repair incidental damage resulting from municipal operations to lawns on boulevards located beyond 1 meter from the paved road surface to the property line by removing torn out sod and seeding scarred areas.
3. To repair any damage done to private property.

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