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Re: Snow Emergency/Parking Restrictions

## Dear Fellow Residents:

For many years the Town had a local law that prohibited parking on public roads from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. from December through March of each winter season. With the exception of some exempt streets, all vehicles had to be off the road during that period. At the Town Board meeting held on August 8th, 2023, the Town Board adopted a new Local Law which no longer prohibited parking from December through March of each winter, except in the event of a snow or other weather emergency. The new law provides that the Superintendent of Highways is authorized to impose temporary parking restrictions on all streets in the event of a snow or weather emergency and shall issue an order prohibiting parking as described above. This means that you must remove your car from the street during a snow or weather emergency for the period designated by the Superintendent of Highways but you can park on the street if there is no snow or weather emergency during December, January, February and March from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. daily. In the event you do not receive the notice of his order you are still obligated to remove your vehicle from the street in the event of a snow storm for example.

The best way to find out if you need to remove your car from the street is to sign up for the town's notification system which is on the town's website. Visit us at <a href="www.eastchester.org">www.eastchester.org</a>. On the right side of our home page, you will see a blue box with a tab entitled "Sign up to receive notifications from the Town". Simply follow the prompts to register. You can choose to be alerted by landline phone call, cell phone call, text message, or email (or all of them) and you can also enroll up to three persons.

There are some streets in the town that have full or partial exemptions from the Snow Emergency Law. Those exemptions still remain in effect for most of the properties. You can check with the Eastchester Police Department at 914961-3464 regarding the list of exempt streets. Applications for exemptions for those who are eligible and qualify can be obtained from the Eastchester Police Department.

While you are registering for Smart911 on the Town's website, you can download the Smart911 app as well. Further, when you are signing up, you can decide if you wish to be notified by the Town for other types of notices and events, not just snow emergencies.

All of the other parking restrictions and regulations remain in full force and effect from December through March of each winter season. As was discussed at the Town Board meetings, this Local Law will be re-evaluated at the end of the next couple of winter seasons and if there is a significant failure to comply with the law, we may revert back to the monthly parking prohibition. Hopefully we will have compliance so our emergency services and plows can do their job in the exceptional manner we have become used to in our town.

If you have any questions concerning enrollment in the Smart911 Alert notification system or any questions about the law, please feel free to contact my office at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Sincerely.

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