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Bureau of Street Environmental Services Cleanliness Standards

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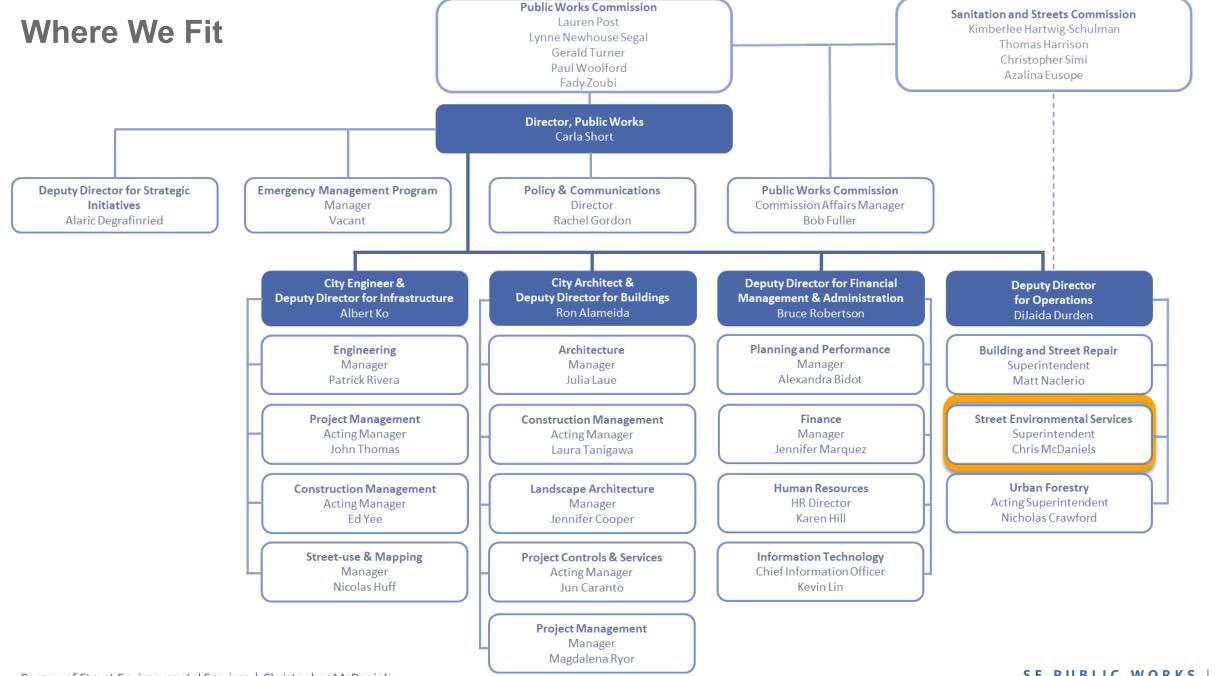












Cleaning Standards Informed by:

- American Public Works Association
- Department Policies and Procedures
- City Charter
- Service level agreements with 311

Types of Cleaning

- **Controlled Mechanical Sweeping**
- **Uncontrolled Mechanical Sweeping**
- **Broom Support**
- Litter Patrol
- Steamer
- Biohazard
- **Special Projects**
- Bag And Tag
- Clean Corridor
- **Graffiti Public**
- **Graffiti Private**

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Controlled Mechanical Sweeping

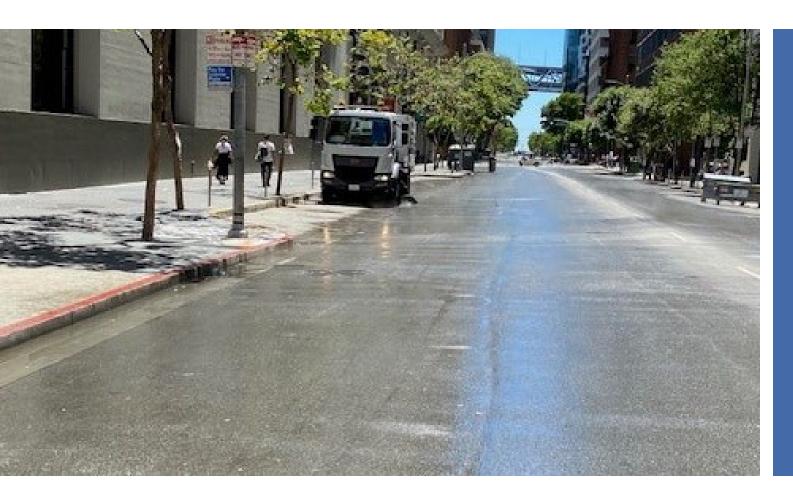
Ensure parking strip is clear and free of debris as per the scheduled sweeping route



- Fixed schedule and routes
- Remove roadway trash and debris
- Remove weeds, sediment and fine particulates
- Help maintain stormwater systems by removing debris before it reaches catch basin stormwater runoff controls
- Provide bike lane cleaning
- 10 feet into the roadway from the curb must be free of litter and debris
- Parking strip must be clear of leaves and debris

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Uncontrolled Mechanical Sweeping

All unscheduled sweeping routes will be cleared and cleaned 10 ft out from the curb



- Not a set schedule and route
- Responds to spills and emergency cleanups
- Provide street cleaning around center islands and roundabouts
- Assist in areas where extra cleaning is needed
- Remove roadway trash and debris
- 10 feet into the roadway from the curb must be free of litter and debris
- Ensure spills are thoroughly abated

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Broom Support

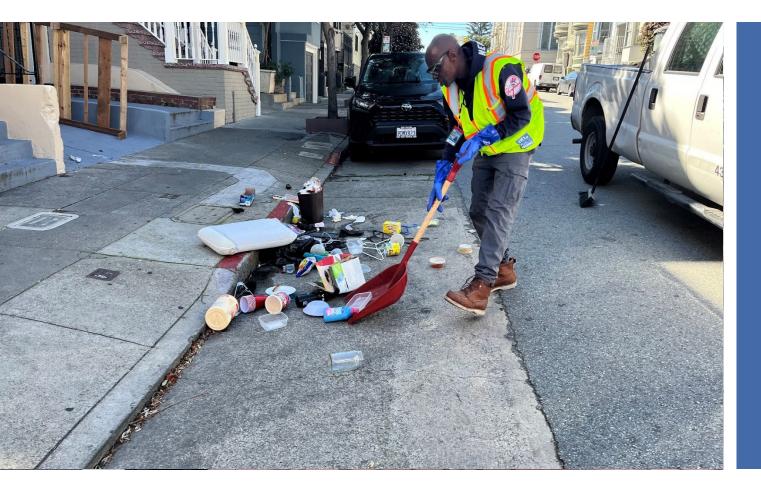
Parking strip along sweeping path must be cleared of all debris 12" or larger



- Assist with clearing, weeding and sweeping catch basins
- Assist with bike lane maintenance
- Supports street sweeping operations by running ahead of street sweeper to remove any large debris that the sweeper cannot pickup that could causes sweeper failure or potential damage
- No large debris remains in path of mechanical sweeper

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Litter Patrol

Timely response to remove all trash, litter and debris



- Service level agreement of 48 hours response time
- Assigned to work in the Zones
- Focuses on 311 service requests
- Document work with before and after photos
- 50 feet in both directions on the same side of the block of the service request must be clear of trash
- Before and after photos are attached to the service request in Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS)

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Litter Patrol

Timely response to remove all trash, litter and debris



- For street corner service requests: before and after picture to document removal and then looks at the other three corners/around to ensure all trash is removed from the intersections
- While servicing overflowing cans, remove any trash within 10 feet of the can
- Any large items found; the litter patrol will move into a safe location before calling into radio room for Recology to remove/dispose
- All four corners of the block are clear of any litter and debris
- 10 feet around public trash can clear of litter and debris
- Record in CMMS showing call to Recology was made

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Steamer

Timely response to sidewalk dirt and grime by disinfecting, power washing and sanitizing



- Service level agreement of 24 hours response time
- Work in the Zones
- Focuses on 311 service requests
- Removes grime around City garbage cans and sidewalk corners
- Make work area safe and wear all Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while preforming the task
- Sidewalk around City Can or corner is thoroughly cleaned

Public Works Cleanliness Standards – Biohazard (Steamer only)

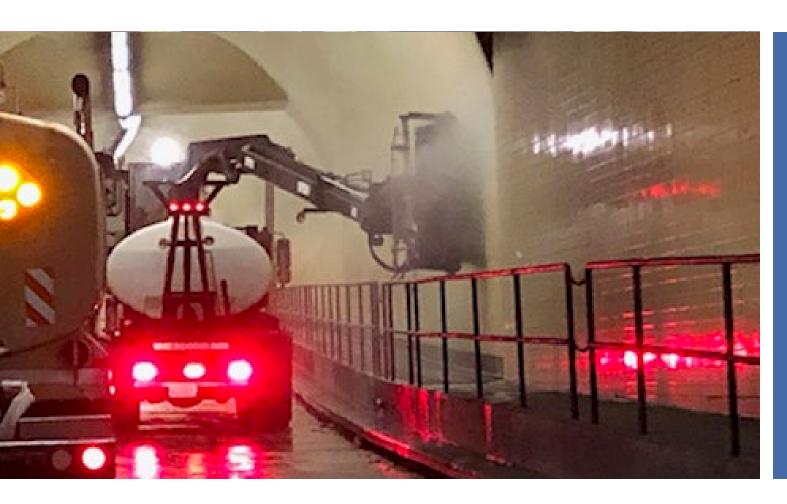
Respond and remove biohazard within 24 hours



- Prioritize and respond within 24 hours
- Removes human and animal waste as a courtesy
- Solid waste should be removed and bagged
- Disinfect, power wash and sanitized
- Within 24 hours, the waste will be thoroughly cleaned

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Special Projects

Preplan and schedule pre and post cleaning to support Citywide events and return City back to normalcy



- **Tunnel cleaning**
- Neighborhood Beautification Days support/Sunday Streets support
- Special event planning, parades, Bay to Breakers, etc.
- City Cans are removed or installed to address complaints based on history and research
- Administer Bag and Tag operation
- Walls and ceiling of tunnels are free of soot and grime

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Bag and Tag

Collect and store belongings of unhoused persons for 90 days for retrieval at Public Works yard



- Coordinate with SFPD, HSOC-JFO and Hot Spots team
- Inspect site, take photo and upload to CMMS of belongings and determine items to be bagged and tagged or discarded per department policy.
- Transport bagged and tagged items to Operations Yard in accordance with our Bag and Tag procedure.
- Organize belongings and update records on shared file.
- Provide the records weekly to the City Attorney's Office
- All bagged and tagged items are documented and stored according to our policy
- Any discarded items are documented with photos in the CMMS service request consistent with our policy

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - CleanCorridorsSF

Provide enhanced deep cleaning for commercial business corridors in all supervisorial districts



- Every Thursday a full complement of cleaning crews is dispatched to a different commercial corridor to provide a deep cleaning
- Steam cleaning of the corners and garbage cans, weeding of tree basins and curblines, abatement of graffiti on public property, block sweeping, mechanical sweeping and roadway flushing
- Outreach and Enforcement team engages with businesses both before and during the operation
- After completing the work at the assigned location, the team then focus on the surrounding corridor areas
- City Cans, corners are cleaned, steamed and free of grime
- Roadway swept and washed
- Tree basins and curblines free of weeds
- No graffiti on public assets in the corridor

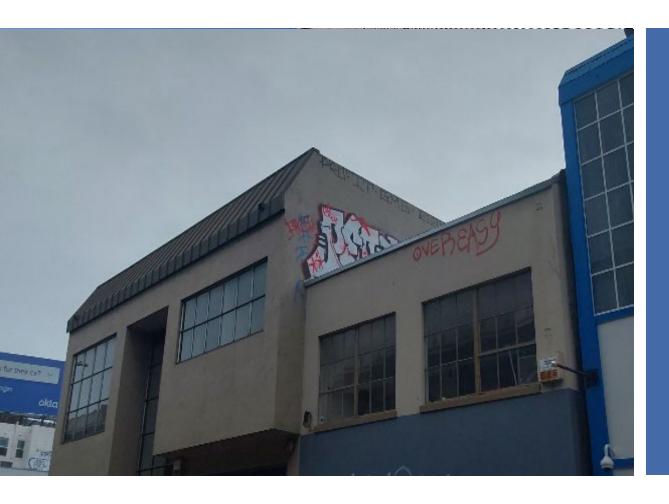
Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Graffiti Responsibilities

Timely response to abating graffiti on public assets



- Abate graffiti from public street furniture, trees and public retaining walls
- Proactive and complaint-based work
- 48-hour service level agreement
- Prioritize abatement of gang-related, profane, racial, hate speech and illegal postings from public and private property
- Document work with before and after photos in CMMS
- Various abatement methods are utilized, including paint, cleansers, power washing and scraping
- Graffiti is removed
- If painted, color is closely matched to existing paint
- No stickers or fliers remain under paint

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Private Property Graffiti Responsibilities



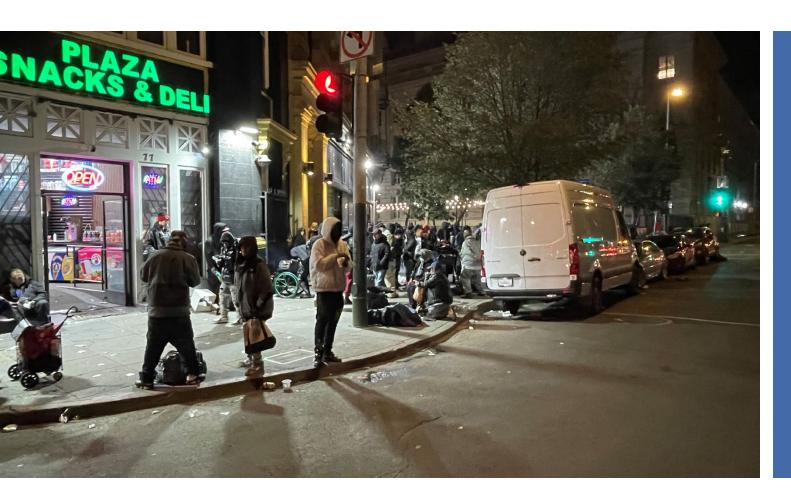
- Our Graffiti Inspection staff performs Outreach/Education/Enforcement
- Property/Business Owners are responsible for abating their property, but the City has a program that allows property owners in commercial corridors to opt-in to a courtesy abatement initiative
- The opt-in work is performed by both in-house crews and contractors
- The goal is to respond within one week
- Private properties not in the program are still responsible for graffiti abatement within the time specified in City codes
- No graffiti remains on private properties in the program
- Public Works will return and continue to abate graffiti for the duration of the Opt-In Program

Responsibilities - Who does what?

- Public Works
- Community Benefit Districts (CBDs)
- Property Owners and Business Owners

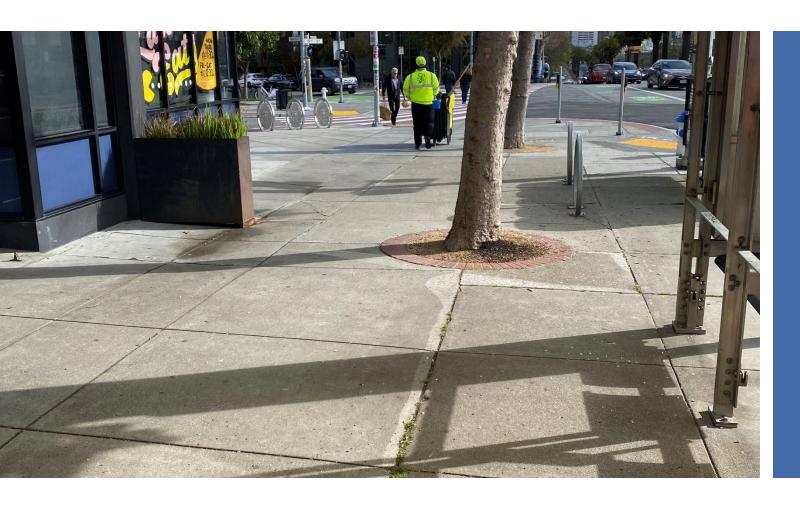
Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Public Works Responsibilities

Ensure City Right of Way is Clear and Clean



- Streets and gutters
- Curb to curb
- Street corners and curb ramps
- Sidewalks in right of way
- Stairways in the public right of way

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Community Benefit Districts' Responsibilities

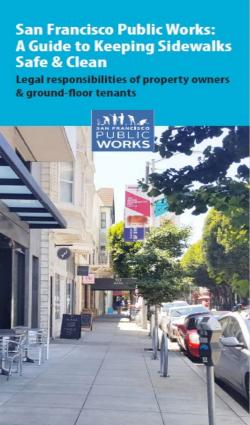


- Varies by Community Benefit Districts' establishing legislation
- Often includes sidewalk cleaning from buildings to the curb
- Often includes private property graffiti abatement and sidewalk steam cleaning
- Coordinate with Public Works

Public Works Cleanliness Standards - Property Owner & Business Owner Responsibilities







- Frontage to curb, including sidewalk cleaning and maintenance
- Public Information Officers provide Outreach, education and enforcement of City codes to Business/Property owners

- **Controlled Mechanical Sweeping:**
 - 10 feet into the roadway from the curb must be free of litter and debris
 - Parking strip must be clear of leaves and debris
- **Uncontrolled Mechanical Sweeping:**
 - 10 feet into the roadway from the curb must be free of litter and debris
 - Ensure spills are thoroughly abated
- **Litter Patrol:**
 - All four corners of the block are clear of any litter and debris
 - 10 feet around public trash can clear of litter and debris
 - Record in CMMS showing call to Recology was made
- Steamer:
 - Sidewalk around city can or corner is thoroughly cleaned
- **Biohazards:**
 - Within 24 hours, the waste has been thoroughly cleaned
- **Tunnel Cleaning:**
 - Walls and ceiling of tunnels are free of soot and grime

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Bag and Tag:

- All bagged and tagged items are documented and stored according to our policy
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 - Roadway swept and washed
 - Tree basins and curblines free of weeds
 - No graffiti on public assets in the corridor
- **Graffiti:**
 - Graffiti is removed
 - If painted, color is closely matched to existing paint
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- Private graffiti opt-in:
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