Street Sweeping Overview

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Purpose of Street Sweeping

- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) established by 1972 Clean Water Act
- Street sweeping is included as a best practice requirement in the stormwater discharge permit issued to San José
- Prevents pollutants from entering storm drains and waterways
 - Sediment
 - Nutrients (fertilizers and animal waste)
 - Toxic metals
 - Organic material





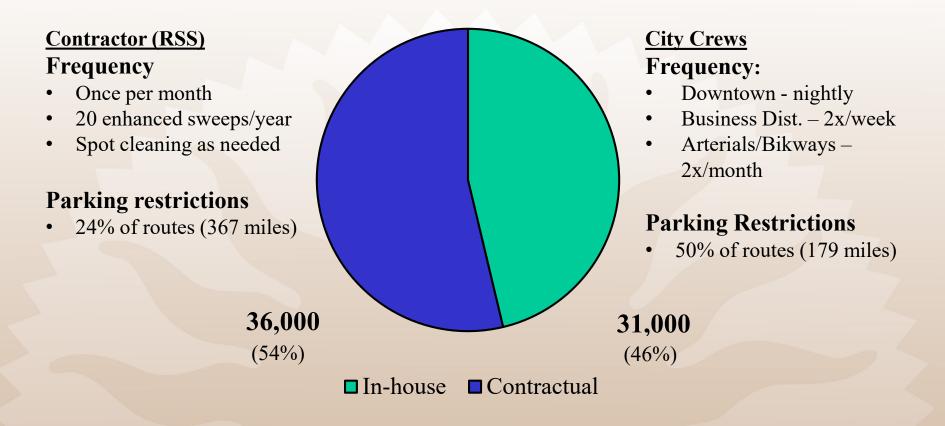


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Program Overview

Annual Curb Miles Swept by Program

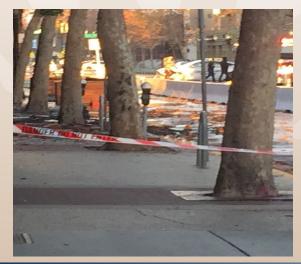




City Crews

- Sweeper Operators employed by DOT
- City owns sweepers for streets and bike lanes
- Routine sweeping and DOT sweepers respond to calls when needed
 - Debris in the street
 - Police & Fire emergency cleanup









Residential Street Sweeping (RSS)





- Sweepers Operators employed by GreenWaste, contractor owns sweepers
- DOT inspection staff assess effectiveness of contractual sweeping, respond to complaints and other sweeping obstruction issues
- Inspection staff coordinate enhanced sweeps and debris removal
- Track parking prohibition signage requests and verify parking impacts



Sweeping Barriers & Challenges



- Leaves and landscape debris piles
- Parked cars
- Low-hanging tree branches (14' clearance needed)
- Waste Containers



Sweeping During Pandemic

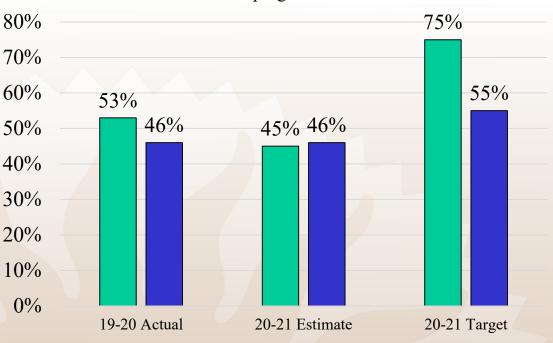
- Parking compliance suspended during pandemic
- Staff redeployments and required leave impacted route completion
- Inspection services with limited remediation tools to compel compliance
 - RSS staff identified barriers, but due to pandemic, did not enforce.
 - Staff mitigated minor sweeping impacts, such as collecting debris piles
 - Performed one time cleanup as needed in areas with large debris build up





Core Service Measurement

- Two effectiveness measures
 - City
 - Customers*
- Based on 5-point scale
- Good or better rating based upon effectiveness and satisfaction with street appearance (4 or greater on a 1-5 scale)



Street Sweeping Effectiveness

■ % of swept curb miles rated by City as good or better

■ % of customers rating street sweeping services good or better*

* The Environmental Services Department conducts a resident survey once every two years (Recycle Plus Survey). The next Survey is scheduled in winter 2022.



Route Completion Tracking

Route Completion Over Time 120% 91% 94% 98% 96% 100% 90% 94% 91% 92% 86% 85% 82% 80% 60% 40% 20% 0% , 10¹¹, 11¹², 12¹¹, 12¹¹, 14¹¹, 15¹¹, 15¹¹, 16¹¹, 11¹¹, 18¹¹, 19¹², 19²², 20²²



City Crews

- Route completion tracked daily via telematics
- Missed areas completed
 on Fridays

Contractor (RSS)

- Spot check with inspector
- Contractually obligated to complete every route

Street Sweeping Audit: 2016

key: 📕 implemented 📕 partly implemented 📕 not implemented

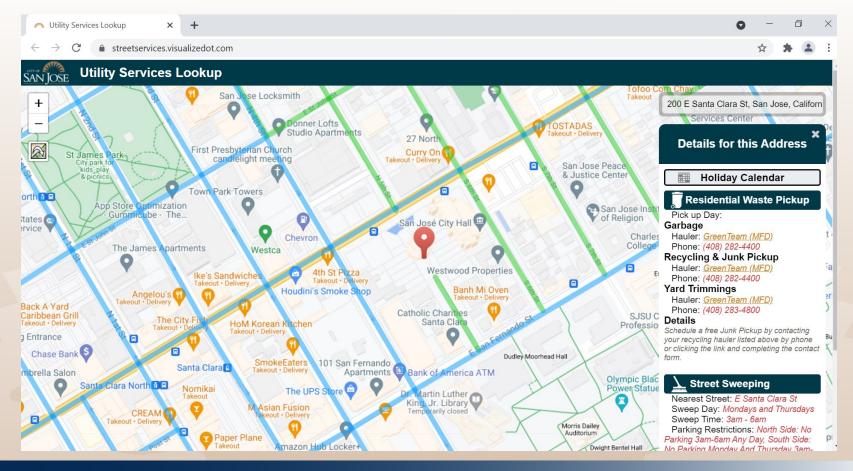
| Report | Audit Title | Dept(s) | We made recommendations to: | Current Recommendation Status |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------|
| Street Sweeping: Significant Investment and Re- | | DOT | Improve the effectiveness of sweeping City streets | |
| | | | through evaluating program costs, enhancing tools for | |
| Tooling | Are Needed to Achieve Cleaner Streets | DOT | data monitoring, and improving communication with | 14 |
| | | | the public | K |

- 1. DOT's street sweeping operation should stop emptying street sweepings onto street.
 - <u>In Progress</u>, new staff member hired and equipment in procurement pipeline.
- 2. DOT and ESD should deploy electronic inspection system and GPS-tracking devices.
 - <u>Completed</u> for City Crews
 - In Progress for RSS City and GW working to quantify costs for potential contractual add
- 3. Based on staff input, route data, and equipment needs, DOT should:
 - a) Review and revise street sweeping schedules and routes <u>Completed</u> to the extent current funding allows;
 - b) Consider additional enhanced sweeps in particularly dirty areas as funds and resources become available: <u>Completed</u>, enhanced sweep increased from 9 to 20 per year in contract update
 - c) Develop a plan to periodically review street sweeping schedules and routes that consider street conditions: <u>Completed</u>, *routes evaluated in coordination meetings*



Sweeping Lookup Tool

Residents and businesses can look up their sweep day at: <u>www.sjenvironment.org/lookup</u> (ESD website)





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