## **Practices to Avoid on Street Sweeping Days**

**Don't** water your yard on the day your street is swept or at least wait until he has gone by. Excess water that does not absorb into the ground may pond in the gutter. The sweeper operator must avoid large amounts of excess water left in the gutter to prevent overloading the sweeper equipment.

**Don't** sweep leaves and yard debris into the street for the sweeper to pick-up. The street sweeping machine can only handle a certain amount of debris and the sweeper operator will avoid large piles of yard debris left in the gutter.

**Don't** rake or sweep gutter debris into piles. The sweepers are designed to pick up debris scattered evenly on the ground, not "mounds" or "piles" of debris. In addition, mounds of debris have been known to contain items such as bricks or large rocks that can cause severe damage to the sweeper equipment. Sweeper operators will avoid debris that has been piled or mounded in the gutter.

**Don't** allow tree limbs, shrubs, mailboxes, or other items to overhang the curb face below eight feet. Street sweeping machinery is very expensive and it is purchased with your hard-earned tax dollars; we will not abuse it by running into overhanging tree limbs and shrubs. All tree limbs must be kept trimmed to a minimum of 8-10 feet high and/or the drip line behind the curb face. All vegetation and mailboxes in the parkway must be at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet behind the curb face.

**Don't** leave portable basketball hoops in the street or sitting on the parkway area. Portable basketball hoops left in the street or parkway are a major obstacle to street sweeping. Please keep all basketball hoops on private property.

**Don't** leave your trashcans in the street. In most cases, street sweeping follows trash collection day however, some streets are swept the same day as trash collection. If your sweeping day is the same as your trash day, please do not set your trashcans in the street. Keep trashcans up on the parkway area or on the corner of your driveway approach.

**Don't** stock-pile building materials in the curb and gutter area.

**Don't** park your car on the street on street sweeping days.