

**SUBSTITUTE**  
**ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 10-8-180 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding the language underscored, as follows:

**10-8-180 Snow and ice removal.**

*(Omitted language is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(b) Any person who violates this section shall be fined not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00 for each offense, and each day such offense shall continue shall constitute a distinct and separate offense.

Exemption. This penalty shall not apply to any owner, lessee, tenant, occupant or other person in charge of any residential building failing to comply with this Section for property located in an active pilot area under the Chicago Plow the Sidewalks Pilot Program, established in accordance with an ordinance adopted by the City Council, during the term of the pilot.

**SECTION 2.**

**CHICAGO PLOW THE SIDEWALKS PILOT PROGRAM**

**(a) Definitions.**

As used in SECTION 2 of this ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

"Program" means the Chicago Plow the Sidewalks Pilot Program established in accordance with SECTION 2 of this ordinance.

"Departments" means the City's Department of Streets and Sanitation and the City's Department of Transportation.

**(b) Purpose - Establishment of Program.**

SECTION 2 of this ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Chicago Plow the Sidewalks Pilot Program Ordinance." The purpose of the Program is to have the City or its agents clear snow and ice from sidewalks to further safe and equitable transit and mobility access that increases economic opportunity within selected pilot areas and to educate City residents on the Program's impact on general welfare, community and government collaboration, social and economic benefits, City revenue, and business engagement. It is also the purpose of this Program to lessen unemployment in the City by providing jobs clearing sidewalks of snow and ice. The Departments, or any singular Department or successor thereof, or other City Department not herein defined, as recommended by the working group pursuant to Subsection (c) of SECTION 2 of this ordinance, are authorized to establish and administer the Program in accordance with SECTION 2 of this ordinance, pending approval from the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety and City Council.

**(c) Working Group.**

(1) *Establishment of a Working Group.* The Departments together, and with consultation from the Chair of the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety, shall establish a working group of City staff members no later than 60 days after the effective date of this ordinance. The working group shall be comprised of representatives from the Chicago Departments of Streets and Sanitation, Transportation, Office of Budget and Management, Assets, Information, and Services, Human Resources Procurement Services, and the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities.

(2) *Working Group Guidelines.*

(A) The working group shall be tasked with advising the Departments on guidelines for the establishment of the Program, which shall include: the size of the pilot area, the selection of the pilot area, the source of revenue to fund the pilot program, how labor will be hired, the end date of the Program, the lead Department or Departments to establish and administer the Program, and any liability concerns associated with the creation of the program.

(B) The working group shall consider the following criteria when determining the pilot area or areas for the Program:

1. the concentration of individuals above the age of 65;
2. public transit ridership;
3. the number of zero-car households;
4. areas of historical disinvestment;
5. the concentration of low-income households;
6. the concentration of families with children under the age of 5;
7. the percentage of persons with disabilities;
8. population density; and
9. other relevant criteria.

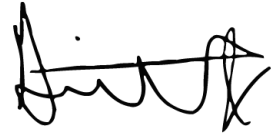
(C) The working group shall consult with Aldermen and community members regularly and no less than 3 times before May 31, 2024 when determining their recommendations. Community members shall include disability community experts, transportation experts, public health experts, community organizations, and other sources as determined by the Chair of the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety.

(D) The working group shall present their recommendations to the Departments, Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety, and community no later than May 31, 2024.

(3) *Study.* After the commencement of the Program, and no later than May 1, 2025, representatives of the working group shall present to the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety a study on the impacts of the Program, including, but not limited to, the public health impacts, labor force impacts, financial impacts, legal liabilities, and community response.

(4) *Sunset Date.* The working group shall sunset after May 31, 2025.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gilbert Villegas', written over a horizontal line.

Gilbert Villegas, Alderman  
36<sup>th</sup> Ward