

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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**PRIVATE SNOWPLOWING  
SERVICES**

City Clerk Lauri Parks is reminding citizens that private snowplowers and their vehicles must be licensed to operate in the City of Grand Rapids. The City Clerk's Office mailed packets of application information in September to approximately 95 private snowplowing companies for the 2008-2009 licensing year.

Ms. Parks encourages citizens to contact her office or visit the City's website **prior to entering into an agreement with any snowplowing company** to inquire as to whether or not the company has been licensed and see if any complaints have been filed. Snowplow licensee's are required to clearly display their name on both sides of their vehicle; carry the proper certificates of insurance for public liability and property damage; have a top mounted, revolving, flashing yellow light; and follow the City's rules and regulations established for the operation of snow plow vehicles.

In addition, **a current list of the snowplow companies licensed to operate in the City of Grand Rapids is posted to the City's web site at [www.grcity.us](http://www.grcity.us) on the Clerk's Office page.** Citizens may also wish to contact the Better Business Bureau to determine whether or not the company is in good standing.

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