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EXECUTIVE ORDER

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TITLE: SNOW TIRES ON CITY-OWNED VEHICLES
EFFECTIVE DATE : June 4, 2008
REVISION DATE (IF APPLICABLE)

WHEREAS, there is increasing evidence that the use of studded tires causes extensive damage to road surfaces; and

WHEREAS, such damage includes accelerated wear on asphalt streets and the creation of deep groves in the road surfaces; and


WHEREAS, the damage caused to City streets from the use of studded snow tires also creates a significant financial burden on the City and its taxpayers who have to finance the rehabilitation of damaged streets; and

WHEREAS, there is compelling evidence that the use of non-studded winter tires can provide equal or great traction in winter driving conditions;

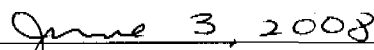
WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the City of Spokane as the largest City in this region and the second largest City in the State to take responsible leadership positions such as this one; and

WHEREAS, this is a replacement for Executive Order 2007-02 issued on November 9, 2007; and

NOW, THEREFORE, It is hereby ordered that all City-owned vehicles shall no longer use studded tires but will instead use non-studded winter tires. The City's Fleet Services Department will eliminate the use of studded tires after the 2007-08 winter season, except for those studded tires that have already been used by the City's fleet vehicles but have remaining tread life, even if after the 07-08 winter.



Mary B. Verner
Mayor



Date