

City of Grand Mound

Resolution No. 23-32

“Compost Collection Policy”

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City Code Chapter 105.06 SEPARATION OF YARD WASTE REQUIRED. All yard waste shall be separated by the owner or occupant from all other solid waste accumulated on the premises and shall be composted or burned on the premises or placed in acceptable containers and set out for collection. As used in this section, “yard waste” means any debris such as grass clippings, leaves, garden waste, brush and trees. Yard waste does not include tree stumps.

The City of Grand Mound has implemented this Compost Policy to set rules for what are acceptable containers for yard waste collection, in addition to limits on the size of bundled limbs, and the availability of the City Compost Pile located to the South/West of the Sewer Lagoons, on 250th Street.

The City compost site is for use by citizens of the City of Grand Mound only. There is no fee to utilize the compost pile, and citizens have the option to transport their own compost to the pile.

The City compost site does not accept concrete/rubble. Tree trunks can be a diameter of 18 inches max and a length of six feet max.

The compost site is not permitted to have logs cut and removed without prior written authorization by the city.

Compost placed curbside for City pick up must comply with the regulations put forth in this policy.

City compost pick up shall run May 1st through November 30th each year.

Compost shall be collected weekly, on Mondays, beginning at 7:30 a.m. Compost is required to be placed in a visible location along the street curb before 7:30 a.m. to be included in that day's pick up schedule. In the event, compost is overlooked by a City employee, a customer shall contact the City Clerk's office, and reset the compost out for pick up on the following compost day.

Compost shall not be placed along the curb any sooner than 12 hrs. prior to pick up. In the event of a holiday, compost will not be picked up that day or delayed to a different day that week.

Compost may be placed in Yard waste disposable Kraft paper bags, sealed with a max weight of 50 lbs.; or compost may be placed in 20 to 35 gallon containers with a lid and handles that are waterproof and leak resistant, with a max weight of 50 lbs. A max of 4 containers (bags or containers combined) may be placed for pick up per day per property.

Branches may be placed out for pick up that are no longer than 5 feet, and a diameter of 6” inches or less. Multiple branches shall be bundled and tied with twine or rope, in a total diameter of 18” inches. A max of 4 bundles may be placed for pick up per day per property.

Compost which does not comply with these regulations, is not required to be picked up by City Employees. Compost not picked up, must be removed from the curb within 24 hrs.

In the event of a weather-related emergency, compost may be canceled for the day. Notice of canceling will be posted on the city website, facebook, and channel 20 when possible.

The City of Grand Mound’s Public Works Department may deliver compost, fill dirt, or rock in tractor scoop increments at the request of a citizen. The fee per tractor scoop is \$10.00 for compost, \$15.00 for rock, and \$25.00 for fill dirt. The charge will be billed to the citizen’s utility bill as a miscellaneous charge. The maximum request per property for delivery is 3 scoops per month of each item (fill dirt, compost, or rock).

The City of Grand Mound offers the compost collection service free of charge to citizens as a courtesy.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of October 2023.

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Kurt Crosthwaite, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Conner, City Clerk