

## Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System

**Bulky Waste** is defined as any household waste that won't fit into a solid waste cart.

**Regulated Wastes** are items such as appliances, electronics, construction/demolition wastes and tires which aren't currently collected curb-side and can be disposed of at the Pearl Street Facility for a fee.

To eliminate the hazards associated with lifting solid waste, our regularly scheduled solid waste collections will be limited to the refuse that can be contained in a solid waste cart. To provide a means of disposing large items and excess volumes of household wastes that can't be fit into a cart, DPW staff proposes providing pick-ups of bulky waste to individual customers through a "call in" system.

Under our proposed system each residential customer will be allowed two "no charge" bulky waste collections annually. If a residential property requires more than these two bulky waste pickups, they will be charged a minimum \$50 fee per 5 Yard Truck collection.

To arrange a bulky waste pickup, each resident will call the DPW Field Office at (262) 636-9126 to schedule the pickup. The Field Office will ask what materials are being collected so we can send the appropriate collection vehicle. We will then set up a collection date which will typically be on a different day than the customer's normal solid waste collection.

Residential customers will have the option to bring household bulky wastes to 1 of 3 "free" drop-off sites. Proof of residency is required at all sites when the items are dropped off.

The 3 bulky waste drop-off sites will be available as follows:

1. **Pearl Street Facility** – Main Site – open Tuesday through Saturday, 52 weeks per year; from 10 AM – 6 PM. All items, including regulated wastes (fee required), can be brought to this site.
2. **Yout Street and Edgewood Avenue** (1936 Edgewood Avenue) – Mondays and Wednesdays, April through November, 10 AM – 6 PM
3. **19<sup>th</sup> Street and West Boulevard** (1955 Grove Avenue) – Tuesdays and Thursdays, April through November, 10 AM – 6 PM

Operating the 3 bulky waste sites will require a total of 2 seasonal workers from April through November, and 1 seasonal worker from December through March.

## Yard Waste

**Yard Waste** is defined as materials such as flowers, garden plants trimmings and grass clippings.

**Brush** is materials such as bushes and tree branches that must be prepared per our current regulations to be picked up curb side: branches not exceeding a 3" diameter by 4' length tied in a maximum 2' bundle size.

**Leaves** are currently picked up along the curb line continually in the fall of each year and during one pass through the city each spring.

Our intent is to allow yard waste and leaves to be picked up from the curb line in both the spring and fall as currently practiced.

Brush and branches will also continue to be picked up at curb line, when properly prepared, on a "call in" basis and will be considered a bulky waste collection.

Residential customers will have the option to bring yard waste, brush and leaves to the Pearl Street Facility, when open, for no charge. The Pearl Street Facility allows branches to be up to 6" in diameter, with no need to be bundled.

Proof of residency is required when the items are dropped off at the Pearl Street site.