

## CITY OF FORT DODGE PUBLIC WORKS – SANITATION

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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## Yard Waste Site at Central Garage Opens Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Curbside Yard Waste Pick Up Begins on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

On Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, the compost site at the Public Works facility will open to the general public. Please note there is no commercial access to the Public Works compost site.

The following rules apply when using the compost site:

- Access is limited to all residents who live within the City limits and also pay for garbage service through the City.
- Pick-up trucks or trailers with loose yard waste and/or branches must be covered with a tarp to prevent items from blowing out.
- Tree branches must be separated from the leaves/grass. Branches cannot be larger than 4" in diameter and 4' in length.

Hours are:

- 8:00 am until noon on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
- 8:00 am until 4:00 pm on Saturday
- Closed on Wednesday and holidays

Compost site hours may be affected by weather. In the event the site will not be opening, an announcement will be made on the City's Facebook page, @fortdodgeiowa.

To ensure uninterrupted operations, we are currently looking to hire one additional staff member for the compost site 2022 season. This is a part-time seasonal position that pays \$10.00/hour. It would be fantastic for someone 18 years or older looking to get outside for a few hours every week and supplement their income. Individuals interested in applying can visit www.governmentjobs.com/careers/fortdodgeiowa to learn more and apply. If you need assistance with the application process, please contact City of Fort Dodge Human Resources at (515) 576-6869 or by emailing fdhr@fortdodgeiowa.org.

**Curbside Yard Waste Pick Up will begin on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022.** <u>*Requests must be submitted by noon on Thursdays.*</u> Current sanitation customers can submit their request by texting "YARD WASTE" to (515) 408-9888 and following the prompts. The automated TextMyGov system will be accepting requests beginning <u>Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022</u>.



Yard waste should be placed in Kraft paper bags with orange stickers affixed and visible and placed at the curb no later than 6:00 am on Fridays. Yard waste placed in plastic bags will not be picked up. Tree branches must be in bundles no larger than 18" in diameter and 4' in length and branches themselves must be no larger than 4" in diameter. Orange stickers are also required for bundles. Bundles and yard waste bags cannot exceed a 50 pound weight limit.

Stickers can be purchased at the Utility Billing counter in City Hall, 819 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, for \$0.75 each. We ask that the public have exact change if possible. City Hall is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday.