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Keeping Sewer Lines Clean

Proper upkeep of the sanitary sewer system is a shared responsibility of the City and property owners. The City has a maintenance program for the sewer mains, which includes inspecting sewer mains to identify problems, correcting the problems and making repairs as warranted. The City also operates a sewer jet machine, which utilizes high powered water and root cutters to clean sewer mains.

Property owners are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the pipeline that runs between their house and the City’s sanitary sewer main. Clogs in the pipeline can lead to sewer backup in the house. Cleaning up after a sewer backup can be expensive and disgusting. If you experience a sewer back up, first contact the City at (319) 352-6247 so we can check the sewer mains in your area.

Help to keep your sewer lines flowing with the following tips:

Beware of FOG! Never pour fats, oils or grease (FOG) down sinks, toilets or drains. FOG may look like liquid when drained, but it solidifies when discharged into your sewer line and the sanitary sewer system. Solidified FOG has a snowball effect, collecting other materials to form a blockage that can clog your sewer lines. Keep FOG out of the sewer lines by draining grease and cooking oil into a covered container and disposing of it in the garbage.

Don’t forget the potential “root” of the problem!

Tree roots entering the sewer system can cause sewer backups. Tree roots seek out sewer lines because any crack or loose joint in the pipe will allow water vapors to escape. The roots are attracted to the water source and enter the sewer lines. Once in the sewer lines, the roots will grow down and eventually plug the lines. Contact your plumber or local hardware store for the best ways to prevent/control roots from plugging your sewer lines.



Don’t treat your toilet like a garbage can! Only flush the three P’s (Poop, Pee, and toilet Paper). Beware of products such as wipes that are labeled as flushable. Flushable does not mean biodegradable.

Do Not Flush

- Wipes (baby wipes, cleaning wipes, flushable wipes)
- Personal hygiene items (including tampons, sanitary pads and condoms)
- Diapers
- Dental floss & whitening strips
- Cotton swabs
- Hair
- Kitty litter and pet waste
- Bandages and medications
- Dryer sheets
- Paper towels, tissues & napkins

Water, Sewer & Solid Waste Rates

Starting in June 2023 the City of Waverly will implement a 10% sewer rate increase. The increase is necessary to cover the cost of the Water Pollution Control Facility project that began construction in 2021. There will be a 3% water rate increase due to inflationary costs.

The only residential garbage charge scheduled for an increase this year is for the 95-gallon garbage can, which will increase to \$39.67 per month.

Example of Rate Increases for June 2023		
	Typical Residential Customer Usage	Monthly Increase
Water	600 cu. ft. (4,500 gal.)	\$ 0.84
Sewer	600 cu. ft. (4,500 gal.)	\$ 4.26
Total Monthly Increase		\$ 5.10

Yard Waste Site

Waverly's Yard Waste Site will open for the 2023 season on March 27th, weather and site conditions permitting. The yard waste processing facility is located north of the Recycling Center at 2800 5th Avenue NW. Leaves, grass clippings, garden waste, and kitchen scraps (no dairy or meat products) are processed into compost. Trees, branches and woody material are shredded into wood mulch.

Yard waste may be in biodegradable bags. No plastic bags or other materials are allowed.

There is no cost for Waverly residents to drop off yard waste, and the finished products of compost and mulch are free for residents to pick up at the Yard Waste Site.

The Yard Waste Site is also where you can drop off bulky items, electronics, and extra trash (fees apply).

Yard Waste Site & Recycling Center Schedule for 2023

	Open (excluding Holidays)	Days & Hours	
Yard Waste Site	March 27 th – November 18 th	Mon. – Fri.	7:00 am – 5:30 pm
		Saturday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Recycling Center	All Year	Mon. – Fri.	7:00 am – 5:30 pm
		Saturday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Mulch & Compost Delivery

This spring the City of Waverly is offering the delivery of **wood mulch and compost** (when available) for the prices listed below to homes and businesses within City limits. Additionally, the City can load mulch onto private vehicles from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Fridays. The City cannot load compost onto trailers or pickups due to its weight and the potential risk of damaging the customer's vehicle. Compost must be hand shoveled. Call (319) 352-6247 or email PublicServices@waverlyia.com for more information.



Mulch: \$25 for 3 cubic yards
Compost: \$25 for 2 cubic yards



Mulch: \$30 for 6 cubic yards
Compost: \$30 for 4 cubic yards



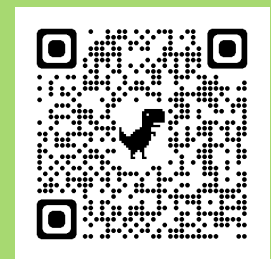
Mulch: \$35 for 12 cubic yards
Compost: \$35 for 8 cubic yards

- ❖ One cubic yard of mulch covers an area of approximately 100 square feet at 3 inches thick.
- ❖ Compost has not been screened and may contain sticks and some foreign debris.



Mulch Delivery Order

Visit <http://www.waverlyia.com/public-works/public-services-landing.aspx> or scan the QR code to submit your mulch or compost delivery order.



Compost Delivery Order

Spring Special Collections

To assist residents with their spring cleaning, the City of Waverly hosts special collection weeks each year.

Bulky Item Pickup

April 24th – April 28th

Pickup must be scheduled

Item fees apply, trip fees are waived

During our spring special collection, bulky items will be picked up from your curb at the regular landfill charge rate. Residents who want to take advantage of the program will need to schedule the pickup and make payment arrangements for each bulky item to be picked up.

Some of the common bulky item landfill charges are:

- Appliances (refrigerator, stove, etc.) - \$15 each
- TV & Computer Monitor - \$12 - \$22 (based on size)
- Furniture, Computer, Printer - \$5 each
- Gas Grill, Lawn Mower, Bike - \$3 each

Hazardous materials, demolition and construction materials cannot be picked up through this program.

Schedule your bulky item pickup by scanning the QR code, calling (319) 352-6247 or visiting

<http://www.waverlyia.com/public-works/services/garbage/special-pickup-request.aspx>



Planning Ahead for Summer Water Use

Do you fill a backyard pool each summer? Do you have a garden, landscaping or sod that you plan to regularly water? If so, you may want to consider purchasing a second water meter for outdoor water use.

Second water meters can be purchased at the Public Services office and need to be installed by a plumber at the homeowner's expense. Sewer fees are not applied to the water used from a second water meter as that water does not enter the sewer system. Water fees do apply, but there is not a monthly minimum charge for the second meter.

Email PublicServices@waverlyia.com or call (319) 352-6247 if you have questions about installing a second water meter.



Yard Waste Pickup

April 24th – May 5th

Pickup on your regular garbage day

No fees apply

Yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, and garden waste) must be bagged in biodegradable bags.

Brush and sticks must be tied into bundles that are no larger than 4 feet in length, 1 ½ feet in diameter and weigh no more than 50 pounds.

Place yard waste materials at your curb on your regular garbage collection day.

Items that are not in biodegradable bags, or bundled as described above will not be picked up.

Please call or email PublicServices@waverlyia.com with any questions.

Iowa One Call Call Before You Dig

When should you use Iowa One Call?

Anytime you plan to excavate! This includes:

- Putting up a fence or clothes line.
- Pounding stakes or posts into the ground.
- Planting trees or shrubs.
- Building a patio, home addition, deck or foundation.
- Replacing or putting in a new driveway or sidewalk.
- Terracing or landscaping.
- Installing a septic system or water drainage system.

How Iowa One Call Works:

1. Iowa law requires that you notify Iowa One Call at least 48 hours (excluding Saturday, Sundays and legal holidays) before any excavation.
2. Iowa One Call notifies underground facility operators.
3. The underground facility operators mark the lines.
4. You dig safely.

Visit www.iowaonecall.com for more information.

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Report a Pothole

From time to time the City Streets Division crews canvas all of Waverly filling potholes. We also encourage residents to report any bad potholes that are in need of attention.



If you would like to report a significant pothole in your area of town, scan the QR Code or visit <http://www.waverlyia.com/public-works/services/streets/pothole.aspx> and complete the simple report form. The Streets Division will coordinate the patching of potholes.

Curbside Recycling Reminder

The City utilizes automated trucks to collect curbside recycling. For the safety of our operators, we request that all materials for pick-up fit inside your recycling can.

If you have extra recycling, it can be brought to the Recycling Center. The Recycling Center is located at 2800 5th Ave NW. It is open Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you consistently have more recycling than will fit in your can, you can request a larger can. Email to PublicServices@waverlyia.com or call (319) 352-6247.



Curbside Recycling and Garbage Containers with Yellow Lids (Yellow Highlighted Weeks)

City offices are closed on Friday, April 7th. Garbage & Curbside Recycling will be picked up on Thursday, April 6th.

City offices are closed on Monday, May 29th. Garbage & Curbside Recycling will be picked up on Tuesday, May 30th.

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April	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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May	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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