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Special Edition

Compost Site Hours Changed

During Monday's City Council meeting Street Superintendent Steve Lee announced the following changes in Compost Site hours of operation:

Saturday, April 11 - Hours 7 AM-6 PM
Sunday, April 12 (Easter Sunday) – Compost Site Closed

Effective Monday, April 12 Compost Site Hours will be 8 AM-5 PM, Monday-Saturday.

Spring Curbside Clean-up Program Begins

The City is once again sponsoring a Spring Clean-up Campaign. This project gives Sikeston residents an opportunity to dispose of bulky rubbish during their regular solid waste pick-ups. Residents with Monday and Thursday trash collection will have their spring clean-up opportunities on Monday, April 13 and Thursday, April 16. Those with Tuesday and Friday solid waste pick-up will have their spring clean-up collections on Tuesday, April 21 and Friday, April 24.

Residents with curb side pick-up should place their bulky items at the curb on their designated collection days while those with alley pick-up will place their bulky items in the alley with their household trash. Absolutely no construction, contractor, commercial or business waste will be taken during this clean-up. Carpeting, drywall, paneling, wood flooring, cabinets, windows, and sewer pipes are considered construction waste and will not be taken under this program. Removal of such items can be done for an extra charge by contacting Sonny's Solid Waste at 471-2869. (Continued on page 2)

2009 Sikeston Spring Curbside Clean-up Schedule

Trash Pick Days
Monday & Thursday
Tuesday & Friday

Curbside Pickup Date
April 13th & 16th
April 21st & 24th

Curbside Clean-up Program - Continued

All items to be discarded must be placed together in one area next to the curb or in the alley. Sonny's Solid Waste will not be responsible for or replace any items placed next to the alley or curb at pick-up locations. All 55-gallon barrels must be completely empty when picked up. Residents are encouraged to place items at the curb or in the alley the night before the scheduled pick-up dates. There will be no return trips.

Certain items banned from Missouri landfills can be handled separately by Sonny's Solid Waste. A \$10 fee is charged by SSW to pick up the following items: washers, dryers, dishwashers, hot water heaters, window air conditioners, gas or electric cook stoves, restroom commodes, kitchen or bathroom sinks, microwave ovens, household refrigerators, and household trash compactors. Commercial appliances are not included in the above price. Appliances having a compressor cannot be picked up until the compressor is drained and removed. The compressor will be taken at no extra charge.

Other items for which a fee will be charged include lead acid batteries with a \$1.00 per battery fee. Used motor oil will be picked up for a \$1.00 per gallon fee. Used oil must be in a sealed plastic or metal container to avoid spillage with a minimum of 5 gallons required for pickup. Addresses of all residents requesting used oil pick-ups will be maintained to avoid any hazardous waste being included with the used oil. Absolutely no hazardous waste will be picked up.

Residents having chargeable items (listed above) must pay for these items prior to the scheduled pick up days. Payment and scheduling of pick up for the chargeable items must be made at the SSW main office, 451 Smith Street, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Employees operating SSW collection trucks will not take special pick up requests or take payments on collection days. These arrangements must be made in advance with the office.

Items that will not be picked up during the Spring Clean Up include tires and yard waste including limbs, leaves, shrub trimmings, grass, and garden waste. Residents needing to dispose of yard waste may contact Sonny's Solid Waste at 471-2869, or may use the Compost Site on Compress Road.

Debris Removal Contract Award Targeted for April 10

Due to the large number of vendors and the extreme range in quotes, action on the award of debris removal was tabled during the April 6 City Council Meeting. City Manager Doug Friend indicated 25 vendors submitted bids for the removal of debris from City rights-of-way, parks and other City-owned properties. "Bids varied from \$2.20 per cu. ft to \$12.00 per cu ft.," stated Friend. "Due to the extreme range in cost, we felt it prudent to evaluate each vendor and verify their ability to complete the project within the designated timeframe."

Award of the debris removal contract has been placed on the Friday, April 10 Council agenda. Once awarded, the City anticipates the debris removal to be completed within 45 days. Street Superintendent Steve Lee estimates 80,000 cubic yards of debris remains within the City.

