

Sec. 55-1. Obstructing utility easements.

It shall be unlawful for any person to place any rubbish or other obstruction in any utility easement in the city, or to plant bushes, trees or shrubs in any such easement, or for any person owning any lot in the city to permit any rubbish, trees, bushes, shrubs or other obstructions to remain in the utility easement on such lot.

Sec. 21-12. Tree limbs, grass clippings, etc. (e.g., yard waste)

- (a) Yard waste shall be collected on a regularly published schedule basis.
- (b) Yard waste shall be the only waste material(s) collected on the scheduled day and shall not be collected on any other day. No other litters, garbage, refuse, debris, heavy brush, or trash may be co-mingled with the yard waste.
- (c) Unless bagged or placed in receptacles, only piles no larger than two and a half (2 1/2) feet high, by four (4) feet wide, by five (5) feet long shall be collected.
- (d) Yard waste shall be set out for collection before 7:30 a.m. on the designated collection day, but may not be set out earlier than the Saturday immediately before the designated collection day.
- (e) Tree and shrub limbs set out to be collected as yard waste must be three (3) inches or less in diameter and not more than five (5) feet in length.
- (f) Grass clippings, leaves, weeds, and other small yard waste materials must be bagged or placed in a receptacle.
- (g) Yard waste shall generally be collected in the same location as garbage is collected as provided by section 21-22. Rear door garbage collection customers shall set out yard waste on the curb or alley service location. Yard waste may not be set out in the side yard of a residence, if the side yard adjoins an arterial or collector street.
- (h) Yard waste may be placed in the right-of-way, but may not be placed on the street pavement, in the gutter, on the sidewalk, or in a drainage ditch. Except the director may allow yard waste to be placed in roadside drainage ditches when there is no practical alternative. However, the person who places any yard waste in a roadside drainage ditch may be liable for any flooding damage caused by the yard waste. The owner or occupant of a residence or business, who authorizes, directs, or allows yard waste to be placed in a drainage ditch on or adjacent to the person's property, also may be liable for any flooding damage caused by the yard waste.

- (i) The director may assess a surcharge, as provided in section 21-40(a)(11), that will be applied to the customer's next monthly utility bill if other solid wastes that cannot be composted are co-mingled with the yard waste set out for collection.

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