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LEAF PICKUP TO CONTINUE THROUGH DECEMBER 21

City urges patience from residents; Compost Site to remain open through Dec. 16

MUSCATINE, Iowa – Two trucks with the Department of Public Works (DPW) are continuing the leaf pickup program for the City of Muscatine as the weather remains dry. Brian Stineman, DPW Director, said Tuesday that the current plan for leaf pickup is to finish Zone 7 and 8 with the two trucks that are out as soon as possible.

“We have also dispatched one truck to pick up spots that have been missed or were called into Public Works,” Stineman said. “We will be running that truck the rest of this week in order to try to accommodate as many people as we can.”

Stineman noted that the City will be shutting down all leaf collection for 2018 on Friday December 21. After that date, residents will have to wait until spring for leaf pickup.

Due to the high volume of calls to DPW for leaf pickup, Stineman asks residents to not call in again if the resident has already called and been added to the list.

“Aside from one major storm event, the weather allowed us to pick up leaves much later than usual this year,” Stineman said.

David Popp, Solid Waste Manager at the Recycling Center and Transfer Station, states that the City’s compost site will remain open through Sunday, Dec. 16, 2018. The compost site is open



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12-6 p.m. through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and 12-6 p.m. on Sunday. The site will close for the season on Monday, Dec. 17, 2018.

Residents can transport their yard waste (grass clippings, leaves, and plant growth) to the compost site and deposit them there during the above hours. Firewood is also available for pickup but residents need to check in at the Transfer Station before cutting or loading firewood.

LANE RESTRICTION ON LOCUST STREET THIS WEEK

The 700 block of Locust Street will be restricted to one lane starting Wednesday, Dec. 12, as KE Flatwork, Inc., cuts out the paving over the new manhole located between the #7 alley and West 8th Street. City of Muscatine project managers said Tuesday that only half of the street will be blocked off and those driving in the area are urged to alternate while moving through the construction area. The lane restriction will be enforced through the weekend.