

Public Works News

1) Bulk Pick Up Still To Proceed As Planned

Mayor Nancy R. Rossi announces that Bulk Trash Pickup will maintain its current schedule of April 20-24 and be picked up on your scheduled garbage day only. "I realize that with more people working from home and spring cleaning being on their minds, this is an important function to maintain." Public Works Commissioner Tom McCarthy would like to offer the following reminders for bulk pickup:

1. Please limit bulk to 6 cubic yards which should translate to 6' x 6' x 4' or a typical couch size.
2. Do NOT put out mattresses or box springs as the City will not pick up these items. Once the City's highway maintenance garage is re-opened, residents will be able to drop the items off there.
3. Do NOT put out electronics as we will not pick up these items.
4. Do NOT put out hazardous waste such as aerosol cleaners and sprays, antifreeze, oil-based paints and pool chemicals. Please take these to the HazWaste Central site located at 90 Sargent Drive in New Haven. HazWaste is open from 9 am until noon on Saturdays only from May through October. For a complete list of what can be dropped off and more information, please either contact rwater.com, call [203-401-2712](tel:203-401-2712) or email ask.hazwaste@rwater.com. Please refer to the complete list of items at the City's website for additional information: <https://www.cityofwesthaven.com/260/Bulk-Trash-Pickup>.
5. Put a lid on it! The City of West Haven pays by the ton to remove our garbage – a cost which has skyrocketed over the last few years. Trash that gets rained on costs more to remove due to the added weight, and the added cost is unnecessary, so the City urges all residents to put a lid on your trash cans.

2) Leaf Pick Up to Resume

The City's seasonal leaf pick up will resume April 1st. We offer the following reminders:

1. Leaf bags must be paper. Plastic bags will NOT be picked up.
2. Only leaves should be in the bag. Sticks and stones will cause the bag to be tagged and left behind. Bundled sticks will be picked up at this time as well. They must be cut into 3-to-6-foot lengths and tied in small bundles, no more than 70 pounds. Logs and stumps are prohibited.

Finally, the City's compost site will remain closed as long as Mayor Rossi's Emergency Order is in effect. As soon as it is lifted, the City will re-open and place compost outside for residents' use. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

Please continue to practice social distancing whenever possible during this time and be safe.