BILL NO. 2024-3321

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, MISSOURI CREATING CHAPTER 265, YARD WASTE ORDINANCES, WITHIN TITLE II, PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODES OF THE CITY OF AURORA, MISSOURI

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora, Missouri is a City of the third class and political subdivision of the State of Missouri, duly created, organized and existing under and by virtue of the constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora believes that providing yard waste collection services for the Aurora community is essential for ensuring and promoting the health, safety, welfare, cleanliness, and beautification of the Aurora Community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora believes that providing a yard waste disposal site for the Aurora community is essential for ensuring and promoting the health, safety, welfare, cleanliness, and beautification of the Aurora community; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper to establish rules, policies and procedures for the efficient and effective provision of Yard Waste services and collection by the City of Aurora, Missouri

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Aurora establishes the following ordinances regarding yard waste services and collection provided by the City of Aurora Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA:

Section 1: The City Council of the City of Aurora hereby approves and authorizes the following ordinances for the provision of Yard Waste services and collection by the City of Aurora, Missouri:

YARD WASTE

Section 265.010 Definitions.

For the purposes of this Chapter, the following terms shall be deemed to have the meanings indicated below:

CITY

The City of Aurora, Missouri.

COLLECTION

Removal of yard waste from its place of storage to the transportation vehicle.

TRANSPORTATION

The transporting of yard waste from the place of collection or processing to a yard waste processing facility or yard waste disposal area.

YARD WASTE

Leaves, grass clippings, yard and garden vegetation, wood chips, tree limbs six (6) inches or less diameter maximum length five (5) feet and Christmas trees. The term does not include stumps,

roots or shrubs with intact root balls.

Section 265.020 Collection of Yard Waste.

- A. Yard waste, as placed in accordance with this Chapter, shall be picked up on a monthly basis upon scheduled pickup days as authorized by the City Manager, Street Department Superintendent or authorized City representative.
- B. Yard waste collectors, employed by the City or as duly authorized as yard waste collection operating under contract with the City, are hereby authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of collecting yard waste therefrom as required by this Chapter. Yard waste collectors shall not enter dwelling units or other residential buildings for the purpose of collecting residential yard waste.
- C. Yard waste collectors, employed by the City or as duly authorized as yard waste collection operating under contract with the City, shall be responsible for the collection of yard waste from the point of collection to the transportation vehicle, provided the yard waste was placed in compliance with this Chapter. Any spillage or blowing yard waste caused as a result of the duties of the yard waste collector shall be collected and placed in the transportation vehicle by the yard waste collector. The same shall apply to residents transporting yard waste to the City of Aurora's designated disposal site.
- D. Yard waste, in accordance with this chapter, must be from regular yard cleanup or pruning of trees, not from professional tree services.

Section 265.030 Notice of Scheduled Pickup Dates.

A. Regular monthly collection of yard waste will take place on the third (3rd) week of each month. Any variation to that schedule will be posted on the City's website and social media pages.

Section 265.040 Designated Location for Pickup.

A. Permitted yard waste, as described herein, may be placed upon City Street rights-of-way for collection by the City or its duly authorized representative, but only on the street frontage of the premises from which such yard waste was generated. However, no yard waste may be placed so as to block any gutter or drainage ditch or to impede the passage of traffic upon City streets.

Section 265.050 Exclusions of Solid Waste.

A. The inclusion of trash, solid waste, rocks, bricks, dirt, paper, rubber, metal, lumber, tires, shingles, wire, material deemed hazardous by local and State laws will be forbidden from inclusion of yard waste as described herein.

Section 265.051 Yard Waste City Disposal Site.

Residents of the City of Aurora, upon proof of current residence, may dispose of yard waste material originating from their personal property at the City of Aurora's designated disposal site located at the Wastewater Treatment Facility at no cost, according to posted dates and hours of collection or as otherwise approved by the City Manager, Wastewater Superintendent, or authorized City representative.

Section 265.052 Commercial Use Of City Disposal Site.

A. Commercial users of the City Disposal Site may dispose of yard waste material originating from property within the city limits of Aurora at no cost. All commercial users depositing yard waste at the City Disposal Site shall meet the following requirements:

- 1. Commercial users must have a current City of Aurora Business License
- 2. Yard waste disposed of at the City Disposal Site must originate from within the City of Aurora city limits. Yard waste from outside the city limits will not be accepted.
- 3. Yard waste as a result of work for any utility company will not be accepted at the City Disposal Site.
- 4. No stumps, roots, or shrubs with intact root balls will be accepted at the City Disposal Site.
- 5. A City of Aurora Site Drop Off Form must be filled out for each contracted worksite within the City. Drop off forms may be left in the drop box at the Wastewater Facility Office or other location as designated by the City Manager, Wastewater Superintendent, or other authorized City representative.

Section 265.053 City May Refuse Yard Waste.

The City reserves the right to refuse the deposit of any yard waste at any time.

Section 265.054 Penalty for Illegal Dumping.

A penalty in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per load shall be imposed for all illegal dumping. Each load for which the user dumps illegally shall be considered a separate violation.

Section 2: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, MISSOURI ON THIS 26th DAY OF MARCH 2024.

APPROVED: Jason Lewis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kamy Kulow, City Clerk