Memorandum



DATE August 2, 2019

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Storm Debris Collection Update

This memo is to provide our weekly progress update on storm debris collection following the storm event on June 9, 2019.

As previously communicated, we have been following our established brush and bulk collection areas for route sequencing since the June 9th storm. As a reminder, we had just completed Week 1 brush and bulk collection before the storm and Week 2 was the first area collected after the storm. Since June 9th, we have completed post-storm collections in Weeks 2, 3, & 4 areas. We are currently performing post-storm collection in Week 1 areas and estimate completion tomorrow, Saturday, August 3rd. Attached is a map which reflects those areas where brush/bulk and storm debris collections have been completed since June 1st or areas we estimate to be completed by the end of the day today, Friday, August 2, 2019.

After the storm, we suspended normal bulk and brush collections for July to focus on storm debris collection. We are now resuming normal brush and bulk collection service for August. Week 1 service for August begins on Monday, August 5th.

Please see the scheduled collection start dates for August collections below:

Bulk and Brush	Early Set-out Period	Collection Start Date
Week 1	August 1st – 4th	August 5, 2019
Week 2	August 8 th – 11 th	August 12, 2019
Week 3	August 15 th – 18 th	August 19, 2019
Week 4	August 22 nd – 25 th	August 26, 2019

Additionally, we anticipate utilizing private contract crews through August 10th to resweep as many Week 2 areas as possible for storm/tree debris. Week 2 areas received post-storm collection immediately after the storm and many weren't able to cut and set-out debris before our initial collection. This re-sweep will also allow City crews to complete Week 2 bulk and brush collections during the scheduled week. We have surveyed Week 2 areas and identified some areas with considerable debris placed out after our initial collections. We will focus on these areas during the re-sweep and are working with respective council members' offices for additional outreach to residents in these areas.

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From June 13th through August 3rd, crews will have collected over 14,500 loads of debris, which is approximately 650,000 cubic yards of debris. This does not include an additional 40,000+ cubic yards of storm debris anticipated to be collected in August. Of the 650,000 cubic yards, approximately 350,000 cubic yards or 6,500 loads will have been taken to the temporary debris staging and grinding sites near IH-635 & US-75 and IH-635 & Greenville Avenue.

For perspective on collection volumes, our average monthly volume is estimated to be just over 100,000 cubic yards. Since the storm, crews have collected, on average, over 85,000 cubic yards weekly. In terms of total volume collected, 650,000 cubic yards would fill approximately 5,000 standard freight trailers (53 ft. long). If lined up end to end, those 5,000 trailers would stretch roughly 50 miles or from Mesquite to the western boundary of Ft. Worth.

Knowing that residents have put out storm debris (generally tree and green waste) after our initial collection, Code Compliance will continue to suspend the issuance of citations for storm debris. Non-storm debris placed out before or after a resident's schedule set-out and collection period will be subject to a bulky trash citation.

We appreciate the patience from our customers during this collection process, as the magnitude of the debris created by the storm was extensive and all areas of the city were affected. We appreciate your help communicating this message.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Kelly High, Director of Sanitation Services.

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