



## Elkader property owners:

The process to collect leaves/landscape waste has changed a little – here is what you need to know:

### **If you take your leaves, yard or garden waste to the “burn pile” (a.k.a. County sandpit):**

- This facility must remain locked per IaDNR guidelines so you must check-out a key from City Hall and lock it when you leave.
- There will be separate piles for sticks/wood and leaves/yard/garden waste. Do not mix the two piles!
- NO BAGS! Everything must be dumped from bags.
- Not allowed in either pile:
  - No lumber or miscellaneous wood.
  - No concrete.
  - No rocks.
  - No contractor trees.
  - No trash!

### **If you participate in curbside pick-up:**

- Sticks and wood CAN NOT be co-mingled with leaves or landscape/garden waste.
- Sticks/small branches must be set aside from the leaves, and preferably bundled. Please keep to small/reasonable size lengths.
- Leaves and landscape/garden waste should be placed in containers or boxes that allow the City crew to pick them up and dump into the truck. (Wet cardboard boxes do not work because they break apart.)
- Absolutely NO plastic bags!
- If you have to use the brown leaf bags they will likely be dumped and left for you to reuse.



Questions? Call City Hall:  
(563) 245-2098

Your cooperation is appreciated. If the IaDNR decides residents are still not following the proper rules, then we may have to make more severe changes such as prohibiting residents from dropping off materials on their own. This could result in a charge for service.