Community Development Conference Room 128
Blue Springs City Hall
903 W Main St.
Blue Springs, Missouri

Solid Waste Management Commission
Meeting Notice & Agenda

Thursday, September 5, 2024, 6:00pm

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Confirmation of Quorum
3. Approval of October 07, 2020 Minutes
4. Discussion Topics
    a. SWMC Rules and Procedures and Attendance Policy
    b. Recycling
    c. Composting
5. Comments/Questions from SWMC Members
6. Adjourn

If special accommodations are required for citizen participation in this meeting,
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Agenda posted at the following locations:
City Hall, 903 W. Main Street
City's website
http://www.bluespringsgov.com/AgendaCenter
September 4, 2024
A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance however no City Council votes will be taken.
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Solid Waste Commissioners and Liaisons

FROM: Matt Wright, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Summary of October 7, 2020 Solid Waste Management Commission Meeting

Attendance

Solid Waste Commissioners in Attendance: John Nolan, Chair Ann Leinn Gibson, Vice Chair Shelly Xiong Michael Pedigo Michael Brown	*Liaisons in Attendance*: Galen Ericson, District 1 (SWMC Liaison) Byron Craddolph, Planning Commission
Solid Waste Commissioners Absent:	*City Councilmembers Absent:*
Staff in Attendance: Mike Mallon, Community Dev. - Phone Matt Wright, Community Dev. Nathan Jurey, Senior Planner Karen Findora, Community Development Jackie Sommer, City Attorney	*Visitors:* Alice Fuerst, Resident – Phone Scott Casey, Green Blue Springs

1. Call to Order and Introductions – 6:00 p.m.

2. Comments on the March 27, 2019 meeting notes
   There were no comments or corrections made to the March 27, 2019 meeting notes and, therefore, stand approved. (APPROVED Aye-4, No-0, Abstain-1)

   Matt Wright, Acting Assistant Director, Community Development provided a little history on the items of discussion. Topic 1 and 3 were both brought through the Solid Waste Commission for discussion back in 2017 and early 2018 with a review and a recommendation of the items to the City Council in June 2018. The items are back in front of the Commission for further discussion and if they would like to make added recommendations to the Council.

3. Municipal Code Chapter 255 – Placement and Collection of Residential Solid Waste
   The first item of discussion is primarily to Section 255.030.B.1 Collection Location of Solid Waste. Mr. Wright stated that due to technology a few of the trash haulers are turning to robotic arms to pick up trash which can only be done with a curbside pickup option. A survey

was taken back in 2018 related to trash that was included in the agenda packet. The following points were discussed by the Commission:

- The current 5-ft. from the house requirement takes the trash hauler longer to empty the trash.
- Possibility of slips, trips, or falls by trash haulers which raises Workman's Comp. insurance rates.
- If trash company doesn't see the trash bin, then they won't pick up the garbage.
- 2018 survey found that 44.1% was in favor of the change and 19.9% somewhat likely and 28% were not likely.
- Is it necessary language or not?

The Commission did not say to add language that the trash could be placed at the curb; they didn't recommend a distance at all. Some Commissioners didn't want to see trash at the curb but thought having it closer to the curb would be acceptable. Removing the language would allow more flexibility in where trash can be located for pick-up.

Mr. Wright informed the Commission that they would make a recommendation, and that recommendation would be presented to the City Council and the Council would at that time decide if they want a revision to the language. If they choose to revise the language, then they would direct staff to draft the amended language and that would come back in front of the Solid Waste Commission for further recommendation.

Chair, John Nolan, asked the Commission if there are any objections to remove the 5 ft. location from the house. There were no objections.

Chair, John Nolan, recommended to strike the 5 ft. language for the location of the trash bins from the house. Section 255.030 B 1. Seconded by Michael Pedigo. (APPROVED Aye-5, 0-No)

4. <u>MARC Solid Waste Management District's HHW Program</u>

Matt Wright gave a brief description of the City's past activities with the MARC HHW Program. The City was a participating member for 21 years between 1999-2019. When the 2020 Budget was approved it eliminated the program due to budget cuts. In early September, some Councilmembers express interest in rejoining the program as part of the adoption of the 2020-21 budget. Before approving a budget amendment, the City Council requested that the SWMC review the program and make a recommendation to City Council.

Mr. Wright stated that 1.3 million lbs. of HHW was collected through that program in the past. The average cost over the 20-year period was $0.69 per lb. Currently the residents of Blue Springs cannot drop-off at the Kansas City or Lee's Summit facilities for free or attend any of the HHW annual events. Residents can drop-off at Lee's Summit facility with a cost of $2.00 per lb. There previously was a $50.00 min. and a 100-lb. limit which has been removed. All the surrounding cities that don't have a facility pay into the HHW Program through MARC so that their residents can drop-off for free.

The current price to re-join the program is $58,961, which totals $1.07 per capita. The Commission had concerns that the budget numbers may take a major shortfall due to COVID-19 which may cause the HHW Program to be eliminated again in the future.

Commissioner Gibson requested that the City send out notices to residents that the City has re-joined the program.

John Nolan, Chair made a recommendation to rejoin MARC HHW Program 2020-2021 and in doing so conduct an HHW Event in Blue Springs. Seconded Ann Leinn Gibson. (APPROVED Aye-5, No-0)

4. Review Missouri State Statures

Matt Wright presented the State of MO Statutes on trash hauling. He stated that one hauler will not require a City-wide vote. The Commission expressed that if the City chooses to go with one hauler then they would need to meet City standards.

Points discussed by the Commission included the following:

- Hauling contracts based on Council Districts.
- HOA's have their own rules for trash.
- City trash service with a City-wide flat rate that the City adds to the water bill.
- Loose trash blowing around – number and speed of the trucks.
- Let the Council make the decisions on how they want to handle this, no consensus among the Commission on how to proceed.

5. Other business

Jackie Sommer, City Attorney gave each Commissioner a copy of the MO Sunshine Law book. She informed the Commission that there will be Professional Official Liability Insurance training later this year.

Suggestions to add to the next agenda meeting as requested by Scott Casey, Green Blue Springs:

- Trash Hauler audit report: Transparency with hauler on what they are dumping vs. what they are recycling and how.

- Recycling Center needs. 88% support to bring the recycling center back.

6. Set next meeting date

Staff will take the topics to City Council to decide how they want to proceed.

7. Adjourn

John Nolan, Chair made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Seconded by Michael Brown.

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Respectfully Submitted by
Traci Breshears, Recording Secretary

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David Mann, Chairperson

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Date

The City of Blue Springs Missouri

RULES OF PROCEDURE
ON-CALL BOARDS

Appearance Review Commission
Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee
Development Advisory Commission
Downtown Review Board
Historic Preservation Commission
Human Relations Commission
Solid Waste Management Commission
Technical Review Committee
Tourism and Visitors' Advisory Commission

Adopted by City Council by Resolution No. 28-2022 on April 18, 2022

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Authority

Section 402.020.C of the Blue Springs Municipal Code provides that Rules of Procedure shall be adopted by the City Council. Any Rules or Bylaws previously adopted are hereby repealed and replaced with these Rules approved by the City Council by Resolution No. 28-2022 on April 18, 2022. These Rules shall be in effect upon their adoption by the City Council by Resolution and until such time as they are amended or new Rules are adopted by Resolution.

These Rules govern and provide guidance to the City's Boards and Commissions (hereinafter "Commission") that do not hold regularly-scheduled meetings, but at the call of the Chair or Staff. Those Commissions include, but are not limited to Appearance Review Commission, Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee, Development Advisory Committee, Downtown Review Board, Historic Preservation Commission, Human Relations Commission, Solid Waste Management Committee, Technical Review Committee, Visitor and Tourism Advisory Board.

The Commission may review and recommend amendments to the Rules of Procedure to the City Council by a majority vote of the members of the Commission. Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to each member of the Commission at least three (3) days prior to the meeting at which such action is to be taken. The Commission-recommended amendments shall be presented to the City Council for consideration and approval by Resolution. The amendment of the Rules of Procedure shall take effect immediately following a successful vote of the City Council unless otherwise noted.

Commission Establishment and Purpose

Each Commission is established by the Blue Springs Municipal Code outlining the members and the purpose for the Commission.

Chair and Vice Chair

The Mayor shall appoint a Chair and Vice Chair, annually on or about May 1 for a term of one year. No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms as Chair or Vice Chair. The Mayor's appointment shall be approved by a majority of the City Council.

Where both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent from a meeting, the remainder of the members of the Commission shall elect a Chair Pro Tem from among their own number by majority vote to serve as Presiding Officer for the meeting.

Duties of Presiding Officer

The Chair or Vice Chair (hereinafter "Presiding Officer") shall be responsible for the conduct of the meeting. It is their duty to maintain order and decorum. They shall follow the agenda unless a change of order is acceptable to a majority of the Commission. They shall have the responsibility to limit lengthy and repetitive orations but shall allow all interested parties an opportunity to discuss and present their position. The City Attorney or Staff Liaison shall provide the Presiding Officer guidance on parliamentary procedure subject to overrule by the Commission. The Presiding Officer shall sign documents of the Commission.

Membership

Citizen members of the Commission shall be residents of the City of Blue Springs appointed by the Mayor and approved by a majority of the City Council. Community partner appointments are not required to be residents, but must be a current employee or active member of the agency.

Terms of Members

The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor for three (3) year terms, expiring April 30. When a position on the Commission becomes vacant, the person filling that vacancy shall be appointed for the duration of the term. Members are requested to continue serving until a replacement has been appointed. Former employees of the City shall not be considered for an appointment to a Commission until the expiration of two years from their separation from employment.

Conduct of Members of the Commission

1. Members of the Commission shall take such time as to prepare themselves for hearings and meetings
2. City staff shall poll the members of the Commission to determine a date acceptable to a majority of the Commission. All members shall promptly reply to the scheduling poll and confirm their availability for all meeting options. Staff will notify the Commission members of the scheduled meeting date. If, after confirming their availability for a meeting date, the Commission member fails to attend the meeting, their absence will be noted in the roles. Absent extenuating circumstances, a member may be removed from the Commission after two missed meetings in which a member had confirmed their availability. A member of the Commission who shall not be able to attend a scheduled meeting of the Commission shall notify the Staff Liaison at the earliest possible opportunity. City staff shall notify the Chairman in the event that the projected absences shall produce a lack of a quorum.
3. If a Commission member is unable to fulfill their appointed term, a communication shall be sent to the Mayor, with a copy to the staff liaison and copy to the City Clerk resigning from the Commission.
4. At the beginning of each appointment term, members shall execute a letter confirming the details of their appointment, including term and attendance expectations.

Support

Council/Commission Liaison. If a Council or Commission liaison is appointed to the Commission, the liaison shall update the Commission and participate in meetings at the request of the Presiding Officer.

Staff Liaison. A City Administrator shall select an employee to serve as a Staff Liaison to the Commission. The Staff Liaison shall:

1. Select a Recording Secretary to assist the Commission
2. Communicate with the Presiding Officer regarding items for discussion on an upcoming agenda and poll members
3. Prepare all necessary documents for presentation to the Commission
4. Carry out the directives and officially present the Commission's recommendations to the City Council

Recording Secretary. The Staff Liaison shall supply a qualified staff member to be designated as the Recording Secretary to perform all general corresponding and recording secretarial duties for the Commission. The Recording Secretary will:

1. Keep the minutes of the Commission.
2. Prepare and post notices/agenda packets for all meetings as required by the Missouri Sunshine Law
3. Maintain the permanent records of the Commission
4. Perform such other duties as the Commission may require.

City Attorney. The City Attorney or their designee shall:

1. Serve as legal counsel to the Commission
2. Prepare memoranda of law as requested by the Commission
3. Review motions and draft documents of the Commission
4. Attend meetings of the Commission as requested, and during meetings be available to provide opinion as to law, ordinances or parliamentary procedure, but the final decision as to the matter of parliamentary procedure shall be the responsibility of the Presiding Officer.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings of the Commission shall be held at the call of the Chair and at such other times as determined by the Staff Liaison. All meetings shall be in person with the exception of a declared State of Emergency suspending the Missouri Sunshine Law.

Quorum for Attendance

A majority of the entire Commission, excluding vacancies, shall constitute a quorum for its business. All members of the Commission shall attend all meetings unless having previously declined the meeting date when polled. If a quorum is not present, the meeting shall be adjourned.

Voting

All members, including the Presiding Officer, shall have a vote and shall vote when present except that any member shall automatically disqualify themselves from voting on any decision in which there might be a conflict of interest as defined by the City Charter, Ordinances, and State Statutes. Refer to "Conflicts" in these Rules for additional information.

The Presiding Officer shall restate the motion before a vote is taken. The name of the maker and supporter of a motion shall be recorded. Each member shall vote Aye or No; members will not have an option to Pass. All roll call votes shall be taken by the Recording Secretary in random order, except that the Presiding Officer shall vote last.

The affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present and able to vote is necessary to approve a motion. In the event of a tie vote, the motion shall have been defeated.

Parliamentary Rules of Procedure

The purpose of parliamentary procedure is for the assembly to conduct its businesses in the most efficient way possible while considering the rights of its members. The Commission shall refer to the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised to answer procedural questions not

resolved in these rules, so long as it does not conflict with the Blue Springs Municipal Code or Missouri Law.

Open Meetings and Records Policy

The Commission shall keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, findings, and determinations. All meetings and meeting records shall be open to the public.

Communications among a quorum of the Commission is considered a public record and should be copied to the City's repository email: cityclerk@bluespringsgov.com. More than one communication among a quorum of the Commission is considered a meeting and is in violation of the Missouri Sunshine Law.

Getting the Floor

Every member desiring to speak shall address the Presiding Officer and upon recognition by the Presiding Officer, shall be confined to the question under debate.

Interruptions

A member, once recognized, shall not be interrupted when speaking unless to be called to order by the Presiding Officer, or as hereinafter provided. If a member, while speaking, be called to order, the member shall cease speaking until the question of order be determined and if in order, shall be permitted to proceed.

Conflicts

If a member of the Commission believes they have a conflict and would be unable to vote on an agenda item, the member should consult with the City Attorney to confirm the conflict. Once the conflict is confirmed, the City Attorney would assist in the preparation of a statement to be used by the member to recuse themselves prior to any discussion, public hearing, introduction and vote on the conflicting matter. The member would read the statement regarding the conflict and recuse themselves from the item. The member would leave the Council Chambers prior to the initiation of the matter on the agenda and would remain absent until the final vote on the matter. The recusal may affect the quorum required for the meeting and majority affirmative vote.

The Commission does not have an option to abstain from a vote due to a conflict but should recuse prior to the agenda item. If the member of the Commission did not recuse themselves prior to the agenda item and participated in discussion and abstains from voting on the item, the City Attorney would advise the member that abstaining is not an option at that time. If the member continues to abstain or refuses to vote, the Recording Secretary would record the vote as "AYE" and note in the journal that the member refused to vote.

If a member of the Commission does not believe they have enough information to make a decision on a matter, they may move to continue the matter to a future meeting requesting staff to provide the needed information. The motion would require a majority vote of the entire Commission to continue. If the motion to continue fails, all members of the Commission must vote either aye or nay.

Order of Business and Preparation of Agenda

Deadlines for filing for placement on a Commission agenda shall be in accordance with deadlines established by the Staff Liaison.

The order of business on the agenda shall be as follows:

- Call to Order
- Confirmation of a Quorum/Roll Call
- Approval of previous meeting Minutes
- Presentation of requests agenda items
- Other business to be considered at a future meeting
- Visitors (if the Commission so chooses)
- Adjournment

A motion from the floor must be made and passed in order to dispense with any item on the agenda.

Where the volume of agenda items may require such action, the Chair may postpone discussion of certain agenda items until sufficient time is available for the members to give proper review to such subjects. If public interest warrants, the Chair may rearrange the order of the agenda.

An item not included on a Commission agenda shall not be discussed by the Commission. Direction shall be given to the Staff Liaison to include on a future Commission agenda.

Agendas shall be posted on the Notice Board in the lobby of City Hall, and on the City's website. The agenda shall note at the bottom the date it was posted. The agenda posted on the website shall be published and sent to email addresses requesting to be notified of the Commission agendas.

Meeting Shall be Open to the Public

All meetings shall be open to the public, except for closed sessions, as provided by the Statutes of the State of Missouri and the Ordinances of the City of Blue Springs.

Motions

Unless operating under procedures provided by Missouri statute or other legal regulations, all motions shall be open to debate without restriction, shall require a second (except as noted in the Rules), and shall require a simple majority vote of the members present and able to vote for passage. A motion requires that a Commissioner makes a motion by stating "I move to…" and another Commissioner seconds the motion. If a motion does not receive a second, the motion will not be considered.

A motion must be made and seconded before the Commission can debate the motion. Debate is limited to the motion immediately on the floor.

Amending or withdrawing a motion. If a main motion is on the floor and a Commissioner moves to amend that motion, and the motion to amend receives a second, discussion must be limited to the amendment first. If the amendment is not seconded it will not be considered.

If the seconder disagrees with the amendment, they may withdraw the second and the amendment must be seconded by another Commissioner. The motion maker may withdraw their motion for lack of a second, or the withdrawal of the second.

If the motion to amend is passed, the main motion, as amended, can now be discussed.

A sample of commonly used motions are included on **Attachment 1**. No motion shall violate these Rules of Procedure. It is the Presiding Officer's duty to rule a motion out of order.

Members Leaving Meeting Room During a Meeting

With the exception of a member of the Commission recusing themselves and leaving the meeting room due to a conflict, the Presiding Officer and all Commissioners shall remain in their designated places during the meeting unless a recess is called or the member is excused by the Presiding Officer with cause. A vote shall not be taken during a member's absence from their chair.

Visitors

The Commission may, although not required to do so, allow the public to speak during the Visitors' section of the agenda. Anyone wishing to address the Commission must complete a Speaker Appearance Form. If the Speaker Appearance Form is completed online, it must be submitted prior to 4:00 on the day of the meeting; otherwise the speaker will need to complete a paper form and submit to the Recording Secretary in the meeting room prior to the start of the meeting.

The Presiding Officer may ask speakers to not repeat comments made by others, and to limit their comments to no more than three minutes. The Commission should not engage in discussion with the speaker, but take the matter under advisement for a future meeting.

Visitors are not required to be residents of the City, but the Presiding Officer may advise that the Commission may not give the same weight to the testimony as it would a resident.

Procedure for Recommendations to City Council

If the Commission votes to submit a recommendation to the City Council for consideration, the recommendation shall be documented and submitted to the City Clerk by the Staff Liaison three weeks prior to the Council meeting. The recommendation shall be included with the Council Agenda in the Information section. The Commission may be requested to present the recommendation at a future meeting of the City Council if either the Mayor or two Councilmembers request.

Conduct during Meetings

Any Commissioner desiring to speak shall be recognized by the Presiding Officer and shall confine their remarks to one subject under consideration or to be considered.

Any discussion on issues must be relative to the specific topic at hand to allow adequate time to fully discussed scheduled issues.

Cell phone or computer use to text or use social media during meetings should be avoided.

Commissioners should avoid discussion or sharing their opinion of matters on social media or outside of public meetings. If emails are received regarding a project outside of the public meeting, information regarding the date of the meeting at which the item will be discussed should be shared. Commissioners should encourage the individual to attend the Commission meeting where the item will be discussed to hear all comments or to address the Commission. The City Attorney will assist in drafting a response for citizens and developers who wish to speak with Commissioners outside of a public meeting.

How and When Rules of Procedure May be Suspended

These rules may be suspended if the Commission determines such action is necessary in case of an emergency that effects the general well-being, health or welfare of the City of Blue Springs or its citizens. Such consent will be by a 2/3 majority of the Commission present and voting.

Attachment 1 - Sample Motions

Main Motions. Motions that bring business before the Commission are debatable and amendable and as a general rule need a majority vote to pass.

APPROVE – official action to endorse a proposal

AUTHORIZE – official approval to empower an action or a person to act on behalf of the Commission in a specific manner

DENY – official action to reject a proposal

RESCIND/REPEAL – official action to nullify previous action taken by the Commission; requires a two-thirds vote or a majority of the entire membership

Privileged motions. Motions that warrant interrupting all other motions, take precedence over other questions and are not debatable.

FIX THE TIME TO WHICH TO ADJOURN – sets the time for continuation of the present meeting in order for another meeting to continue business, but does not adjourn the present meeting or set the time for its adjournment; requires a majority vote

Example: I move that when this meeting adjourns, it adjourns to meet on (date and time) at (place).

ADJOURN – a privileged motion to close a meeting that must be seconded and is not subject to debate; discussion must be halted and a vote taken

RECESS – Short interruption which does not close the meeting; motion is not required if recess is included on the agenda

CLOSED SESSION – allows for a closed session for those purposes stated in RSMo 610.021; motion must be made in an open session, must be seconded, and is subject to limited debate as to the date and/or time and general purpose

Incidental motions. Motions that arise out of another pending question that takes precedence and must be decided before the question is answered or are incidental to a question that should be decided before any other business is taken up.

POINT OF ORDER – enables a Commissioner to bring attention to a potential breach of order or to question a procedure or rule; it does not require a second and is not debatable

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES – enables the Commission to temporarily set aside its rules, or any specific portion of its rules, in order to proceed to the consideration of a question or matter; it must not extend past the matter acted upon or the meeting, must state the purpose for the suspension and requires a second

DIVIDE A QUESTION – enables the Commission to divide a complex question or proposal and to consider the matter by section or paragraph; it must be seconded and is not subject to debate

Subsidiary motions. Motions that set aside a motion temporarily and permanently.

AMEND – to improve or clarify the intent or substance of a pending motion that must be made while a motion is on the floor. Amendments must be relevant to the question under consideration and shall be acted upon in reverse order. Motions can be amended only to a third degree, that is, one can amend an amendment, but can go no further.

ADDITION – addition of specific words or phrases or sentences to perfect the intent or meaning of the pending main motion.

SUBSTITUTION – substituting provisions, sections or the entire language of the original motion and providing in lieu thereof new provisions, sections or language; substantially, offering a new motion relevant to the subject of the original main motion properly in possession of the body.

REFER – enables any pending question or matter to be referred to a committee, agency or department, or another entity for review, comment and possibly recommendation.

POSTPONE – postponing consideration (or further consideration) of a measure to a certain motion and carries a time limit and can be debated as to the merits of postponement.

POSTPONE TO A CERTAIN TIME/POSTPONE DEFINITELY – set the date and time when the motion will be acted upon

TABLE – temporarily setting aside a pending motion (or series of pending motions) to take care of something else deemed urgent; if the motion laid on the table is not taken from the table by the next regular meeting, the motion dies

Pending motion. When a main motion has been made, members can amend it, postpone it, etc. All of the actions that take place while the main motion is pending are subsidiary motions.

Recycling Centers

Find your local recycling center

Do you need to find a recycling drop-off center? We've compiled a list of sites located in the Kansas City metro area. Be sure to call first to confirm hours and/or residency requirements.

Missouri Recycling Centers →

Kansas Recycling Centers →

Missouri Recycling Centers

Click to learn more about each facility, including hours, materials accepted, residency restrictions and more.

Please call facilities to confirm hours and residency requirements.

Central

Kansas City, Mo. and Jackson County

Kansas City, Mo. Recycling Center - East Bottoms

4707 Deramus
Kansas City, MO 64120

Site details →

Kansas City, Mo. Recycling Center - Red Bridge

5200 E. Red Bridge Road
Kansas City, MO 64137

Site details →

Kansas City, Mo. Recycling Center - Northland

5601 N.E. Pleasant Valley Rd.
Kansas City, MO 64119

Site details →

Independence Recycling Center

Ted's Trash Service, Inc.
10736 E. Truman Rd.
Independence, MO 64052

Site Details →

Lee's Summit Resource Recovery Park

2101 SE Hamblen Rd.
Lee's Summit, MO 64082

Site details →

North

Clay, Platte and Ray Counties

Excelsior Springs Recycling Center

1290 S. Marietta St.
Excelsior Springs, MO 64024

Site details →

Liberty Recycling Center

400 Suddarth
Liberty, MO 64068

Site details →

Weston Recycling Center

725 Market St.
Weston, MO 64098

Site details →

South

Cass County

Harrisonville Recycling Center (GFL)

22820 S. 291 Hwy.
Harrisonville, MO 64701

Site Details →

Harrisonville Recycling Center - Vine St.

Casco Area Workshop
1800 W. Vine St.
Harrisonville, MO 64701

Site details →



Household Hazadous Waste

Looking for a place to recycle your household hazardous waste, like paint, cleaners, lawn and garden products, automotive fluids, bug sprays, fluorescent lights, and other chemical products.

HHW Facilities

Kansas Recycling Centers

Wyandotte and Leavenworth County

Leavenworth County Transfer Station

24967 136th St.
Leavenworth, KS 66048

Site details →

Leavenworth Recycling Center

1720 Lawrence Avenue
Leavenworth, KS 66048

Site details →

Wyandotte County Recycling & Yard Waste Center

241 Park Dr.
Kansas City, KS 66102

Site details →

Johnson and Miami Counties

Miami County Transfer Station

23761 W. 327th St.
Paola, KS 66071

Site details →

Olathe Recycling Center- East

2000 E. Santa Fe St.
Olathe, KS 66062

Site details →

Olathe Recycling Center - West

135 S. Kansas Ave.
Olathe, KS 66061

Site details →

Olathe Composting Facility

1100 N. Hedge Lane
Olathe, KS 66061

Site details →

Overland Park Recycling Center

11921 Hardy
Overland Park, KS 66213

Site details →

Shawnee Waste Management Customer Convenience Center

17955 Holiday Dr.
Shawnee, KS 66217

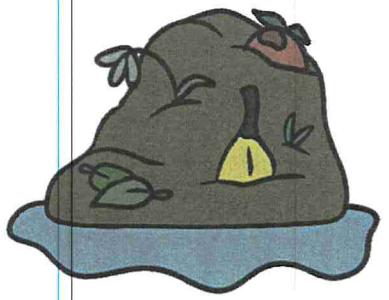
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COMPOST: 101

KC Can Compost

What is composting?

Composting is nature's way of recycling. When food scraps and other natural materials, like leaves or grass clippings, decompose, it becomes compost. Compost is full of nutrients.





Why is compost important?

Compost has loads of benefits! Adding compost to soil grows healthier food, keeps our waterways clean, and prevents dangerous gases from dirtying our air.

What can be composted?

Any natural material. Food scraps, like produce, eggshells, and banana peels. Plastic cannot be composted because it won't break down.

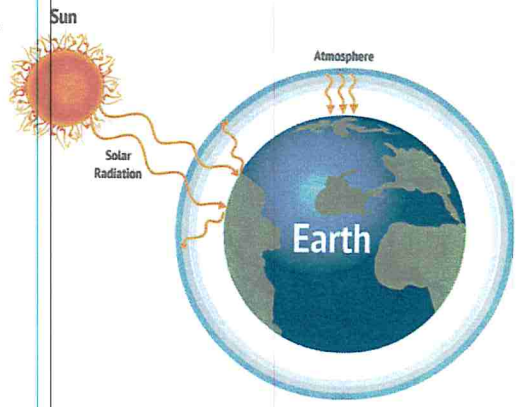




HOW DOES COMPOSTING HELP THE EARTH?

Food waste we put in the trash goes to the landfill. Landfills don't have the right levels of air or moisture to break down food the way compost piles do. As a result, **landfills create poisonous greenhouse gases.**

The earth has **natural systems** to keep the air and water clean. Greenhouse gases trap heat and make the earth too warm, like it has a fever, throwing off those balanced systems!



When we compost our food waste, we keep greenhouses gas out of the atmosphere. By composting, we help cool down the earth and **keep it healthy!**

KC Can **Compost**

Visit kccancompost.com to start composting today!

HOW DOES COMPOSTING WORK?

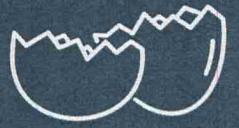
EAT FRESH FOOD.



PRODUCE FOOD SCRAPS.



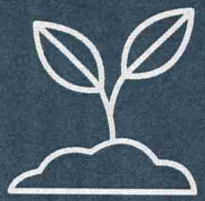
TOSS THEM IN THE COMPOST.



FOOD SCRAPS DECOMPOSE INTO SUPER SOIL!



GROW MORE HEALTHY FOOD!

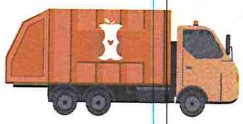


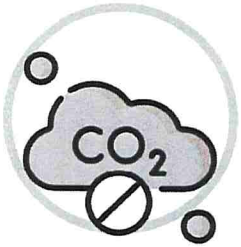
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BY THE NUMBERS

Food Waste Diversion

4,000,914+ pounds
of food waste diverted from the landfill.





2,621,447+ net pounds
of CO2 from entering the atmosphere.

Green Core Training

171 students
facing barriers to employment.

91 students
earned Roots of Success certifications.

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62 students
earned US Department of Labor titles as "Environmental Specialists."

KC Can Compost: For The Greener Good

Food Waste Facts

If food waste were a country,
it would be the 3rd largest emitter of greenhouse gas in the world.

Food waste contributes to more methane emissions than any other material in a landfill:
An estimated 58% of all methane emissions from landfills comes from food waste.
That's equivalent to 50 million gas vehicles.

35% of the US food supply is wasted every year, roughly half of that during the consumption stage. For an average family of four, that's $1,500 worth of uneaten food annually.

The concentration of methane in the atmosphere has more than doubled in the last 200 years. It's estimated this increase is responsible for 20-30% of climate warming since the Industrial Revolution.

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Uneaten food contains enough calories to feed more than 150 million people each year. We have approximately 35 million food insecure Americans.

Compost Benefits Everyone

- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions, water pollution, and air pollution
- Draws down carbon, keeping it out of the atmosphere
- Boosts our food production capabilities and increases our food's nutrition
- Eliminates need for chemical pesticides, by boosting the health of the soil
- Creates living-wage jobs and improves neighborhood resiliency

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