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Four temporary bulky and yard waste disposal options are now available

PORT ST. LUCIE – To ease the waste accumulation and to provide residents with another option other than waiting for service, the City of Port St. Lucie and Waste Pro established four self-serve drop-off sites. These free, bulky and yard waste drop-off collection sites are available to Port St. Lucie residents, six days a week, Monday-Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., until further notice.

A truck with a Waste Pro employee is located at the following City facilities:

- 1. Public Works Complex, behind the green, fenced-in area. Located just west of Florida's Turnpike overpass at the corner of Cameo Boulevard and Crosstown Parkway.
- 2. Sportsman Park's parking loop, 201 NW Prima Vista Blvd, Port St. Lucie, FL 34983
- 3. Whispering Pines Park's back parking lot, 800 SW Darwin Blvd, Port St. Lucie, FL 34953.
- 4. MIDFLORIDA Event Center's community gardens, 9221 Southeast Event Center Place, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952.

"We appreciate our residents who can use the drop-off sites," said Michael Hahn, Solid Waste Manager for the City of Port St. Lucie. "We understand this is a temporary solution, but if you can get your bulky and yard waste to these locations, we'll dispose of it. Together we can keep Port St. Lucie beautiful."

Bulky waste are items such as boxes, barrels, crates, furniture, mattresses, wood, exercise equipment, swing sets & basketball goals (broken down), refrigerators, stoves and other household appliances.

Yard waste is vegetative matter resulting from yard and landscaping maintenance, and includes, but is not limited to, shrub and tree trimmings, grass clippings, palm fronds, branches and bulky yard waste. When disposing of yard waste, cut tree limbs and branches to a manageable size, not exceeding 4 feet, excluding palm fronds.

Items not accepted at these sites:

• Materials from commercial waste haulers and contractors

- Tree limbs exceeding 6 inches in diameter or root balls exceeding 50 pounds
- Land clearing debris
- Bagged household garbage
- Hazardous materials such as fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, sharps/needles, gasoline and oil, spray paint, stains, thinners, solvents, biological waste and radioactive waste, including smoke alarms/detectors
- Automotive, boat, RV or trailer parts
- Engines
- Any gas-powered equipment that must have the fuel drained
- Propane, acetylene and helium tanks
- Oil paint (Latex must have lids off and paint dry/hardened.)

Mark your calendar, the City's next <u>Household Hazardous Waste</u> drop-off event is Oct. 23, 2021.

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