

**ORDINANCE NO. 364
CITY OF NEW PRAGUE**

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 96 TO THE NEW PRAGUE CITY CODE
UNDER TITLE IX GENERAL REGULATIONS TITLED MUNICIPAL YARD WASTE
SITE**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PRAGUE, SCOTT AND LE SUEUR
COUNTIES, MINNESOTA ORDAINS:**

SECTION 1. The City Code of the City of New Prague is hereby amended by adding a new Chapter 96 titled Municipal Yard Waste Site pertaining to the use of the city's municipal yard waste site located at 1503 Columbus Ave. N.

SECTION 2. Chapter 96 Titled Municipal Yard Waste Site will read as follows:

Title IX General Regulations

Chapter 96: Municipal Yard Waste Site

§ 96.01 PURPOSE

The City Council finds that it is necessary to provide for regulations pertaining to the use of the City's Municipal Yard Waste Site to prevent illegal use, including illicit dumping and use by non-city residents, and providing penalties for the misuse of the site.

§ 96.02 DEFINITIONS

Except as may otherwise be provided or clearly implied by context, all terms shall be given their commonly accepted definitions. For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

Municipal Yard Waste Site – The City's yard waste site located at 1503 Columbus Ave. N.

Illicit Dumping – The depositing of unacceptable materials, depositing materials in unauthorized areas, or use of the Municipal Yard Waste Site outside of hours of operation.

City Resident – A person who resides within the City Limits of the City of New Prague.

Authorized Users – City residents of the City of New Prague.

Unauthorized Users – Persons who are not city residents and any commercial/contractor use not through/with the City.

§ 96.03 YARD WASTE SITE USE REGULATIONS

- a. *Hours of Operation.* The New Prague Public Works Director will have full authority to set the hours of operation for the yard waste site, including temporary closings in cases of inclement weather, site maintenance, or other undefined circumstances.
- b. *Acceptable materials.* The city will only accept yard waste (including but not limited to grass clippings, leaves, plants) and clean wood less than six inches in diameter at the municipal yard waste site.
- c. *Unacceptable materials.* Any materials not defined as acceptable materials are considered unacceptable. The following is a non-exhaustive list of unacceptable items at the municipal yard waste site:
 - Stumps;
 - plastic bags;
 - Root balls;
 - Logs or branches greater than six inches in diameter;
 - Materials from outside of the City of New Prague City Limits;
 - Non-organic materials, including but not limited to, rocks, concrete, or plastics;
 - Mixed municipal solid waste or solid waste, including but not limited to mattresses, furniture, appliances, construction debris, electronics;
 - Hazardous substances or chemicals; and
 - Dead animals.
- d. *Prohibition.*
 - (1) Only Authorized Users may use the Municipal Yard Waste Site.
 - (2) Unauthorized Users are prohibited from using or depositing materials at the Municipal Yard Waste Site.
 - (3) No person shall engage in illicit dumping at the Municipal Yard Waste Site.
 - (4) Materials shall be deposited only in designated areas as posted or directed at the site.
 - (5) No Unauthorized User shall enter or use the Municipal Yard Waste Site outside authorized hours of operation or when the site is temporarily closed.
 - (6) Any person violating this section shall be subject to the penalties listed in subsection (e).

e. *Penalties.*

(1) Any person violating this section shall be subject to the following penalties:

- a. First offense, administrative penalty of \$100.
- b. Second offense within 12 months of the first offense, administrative penalty of \$200.
- c. Third offense within 12 months of the second offense, administrative penalty of \$400 and loss of use of the site for 12 additional months from the third offense if an authorized user.

(2) In addition to the above penalties, any person who deposits unacceptable materials shall also be liable for all costs incurred by the City for removal and disposal of said unacceptable materials.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force upon its publication, in accordance with Section 3.13 of the New Prague City Charter.

Introduced to the City Council of the City of New Prague, Minnesota, the ____ day of _____, 2026.

The required 10 days posted notice was completed on the city website and city hall bulletin board on or before _____, 2026.

Adopted by the City Council this ____ of _____, 2026.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately upon its publication in the _____, 2026 New Prague Times.

Charles L. Nickolay, Mayor

State of Minnesota)
)ss.
County of Scott & Le Sueur)

(CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT)

Subscribed and sworn before me, a Notary Public this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Notary Public

ATTEST: _____
Joshua M. Tetzlaff, City Administrator

State of Minnesota)
)ss. (CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT)
County of Scott & Le Sueur)

Subscribed and sworn before me, a Notary Public this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Notary Public