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In the Know About the **ROW**

City Code states that the “right-of-way” (ROW) means a strip of land separating private property from the street or alley existing or dedicated in public ownership. (Sec. 103.2.22) Simply put, the right-of-way is the strip of land between your property and the street that is owned by the public, not the property owner. Often, we use the general example that the right-of-way is the area between the back of the sidewalk and the curb.

Know Your **ROW** Boundaries

To get a general idea of the right-of-way for your property, you can visit Beacon at <https://beacon.schneidercorp.com/>. Select **Iowa** and **Bremer County** and click **Property Search**. Enter your property address in the **Address Search** box. When your property opens, click on **Map** in the top menu bar. The map will display an approximate outline of your property boundaries.

In most cases, the area between the yellow property line and the street or alley is the public right-of-way. **Please Note:** Beacon provides an estimate of property boundaries and should not be considered a precise survey. Actual property lines and right-of-way limits may vary. You will need to consult a licensed surveyor if you are seeking exact property boundaries.



Know the **ROW** Code

City Code Section 89.01 states that property owners are responsible for maintaining the area between their property line and the street curb (the ROW). This includes keeping the area clean, safe, and in compliance with all City ordinances and requirements. Mow it... Shovel the sidewalk... Keep it clear of obstructions...

Trees located in the right-of-way are considered City property, and the City is responsible for trimming or removing these trees. Residents are not allowed to plant trees, install irrigation systems, or place any obstructions (including signs) in the right-of-way. Contact Public Services for any right-of-way tree requests at PublicServices@waverlyia.com or (319) 352-6247.

Any work in the ROW requires a City permit. Permit applications can be found at www.waverlyia.com/permit (water/sewer service repairs) and www.waverlyia.com/sidewalk-driveway (sidewalks and driveway approaches).

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Streets for All Seasons

At first glance, the work of the Streets Department may seem seasonal. Many people associate their duties with snow plowing during the winter and repairing potholes in the spring. In reality, our Street crews work hard year-round to keep Waverly safe, functional, and looking its best.



Beyond snow removal and street repairs, the department is responsible for a wide range of essential services. These include mowing, maintaining trees in the right-of-way and along the rail trail, street sweeping, painting pavement markings, grading and maintaining alleyways, servicing street signs and traffic signals, and collecting leaves each fall. The crew also plays a vital role in supporting community events throughout the year.

Think about the clean streets prepared for a parade route, the road closure and no-parking signs that help keep events safe, and the many behind-the-scenes tasks that make community celebrations possible. These details don't happen by accident. They are the result of the dedication and hard work of our Streets Department.

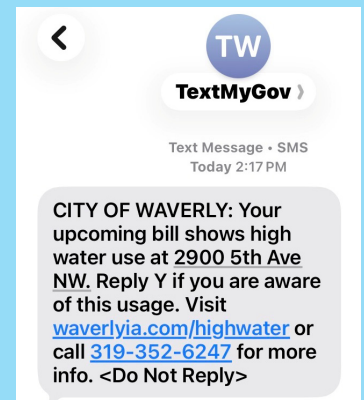
Thank you to our Streets Department for everything you do to keep Waverly moving forward!

Water Alerts by Text

The City of Waverly is beginning to utilize the TextMyGov system to contact customers with water-related alerts. Residents may receive text messages from the City about higher than usual water use or possible water leak issues at their address.

Text messages will come from the City's TextMyGov number (319) 419-4459. These messages are sent as a courtesy to alert customers that they may have an issue.

Messages will include a link to the City's website, which contains helpful information about identifying plumbing or leak issues in your home, and the direct phone number for Waverly Public Services. Text messages from the City will never request personal or payment information.



Whose Cart is it Anyway?

Garbage and recycling carts are assigned to specific addresses and are not interchangeable between properties. Each cart has a unique serial number stamped on the back. If you live in close proximity to neighbors—such as in an apartment, duplex, condominium, or townhome—it is a good idea to record the serial number(s) of the cart(s) assigned to your address. If you are unsure which cart is assigned to your property, please contact Public Services at PublicServices@waverlyia.com or (319) 352-6247 for assistance.



Moving? Please do not take the garbage or recycling carts with you when you move. Carts remain with the property and will be used by the next utility account holder at that address. The new resident may contact Public Services to request changes to their garbage or recycling service as needed.



Yard Waste Disposal Options



FREE Collection of Leaves / Yard Waste

The 2026 Fall Leaf & Yard Waste Collection is scheduled for six weeks from **October 12th - November 20th**. Collection will be made on or shortly after your regular garbage collection day. Further details are listed below:

- Leaves and yard waste must be placed in **biodegradable bags**.
- Leaves and yard waste in plastic bags will not be picked up.
- Brush & sticks must be tied into bundles that are no larger than 4 feet in length, 1 ½ feet in diameter and weigh no more than 50 pounds.
- Place bagged leaves & bundled sticks at your front curb on your regular garbage day by 7 a.m. during collection weeks.
- Call 319-352-6247 or email PublicServices@waverlyia.com if you have any questions.



Clip & Save

Yard Waste Site

The Yard Waste Site is located at 2800 5th Avenue NW (north of the Recycling Center). Waverly residents may dispose of leaves, grass clippings, garden waste, trees, branches, and brush here at no charge.

The processed materials of compost and wood mulch are free to residents. A City employee is available to load wood mulch onto pickup trucks or trailers from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Fridays. (See back page for delivery options.) The Yard Waste Site is scheduled to close for the year after November 21st.

Leaf Vacuum Service



Leaf vacuuming is a service available to citizens of Waverly who do not want to bag their leaves. Leaves need to be placed between the sidewalk & curb area, not in the street, keeping as many sticks out of the pile as possible. The fee for this service is \$30 per trip. The number of trips required depends on the size of the yard and the volume of leaves. Call or email PublicServices@waverlyia.com to schedule an appointment. Leaf vacuuming service will end for the season on November 20th or when the daytime air temperature drops below freezing.

Burning Guidelines

The burning of yard waste is only allowed on parcels **greater than one-half acre**. A burn permit is required prior to burning. Permit applications can be found online at www.waverlyia.com/burnpermits. Permitted burning may only take place from 9:00 a.m. to sundown. Do not burn wet material or burn on windy days.

Instead of burning, the City encourages the disposal of leaves, brush, etc. at the Yard Waste Site for composting and mulching.



Recreational fires using clean, dry wood are allowed by all residents (no permit required). Fire rings cannot be greater than 4 feet in diameter. There are no time restrictions for recreational fires.

Not Fit for the Cart!

Certain items including appliances, fluorescent light fixtures (with or without ballasts & tubes), tires and yard waste are not allowed in your garbage cart or dumpster. While our operators work hard to catch these prohibited items before they reach the landfill, some slip through resulting in costly fines.

Help us avoid these unnecessary expenses by keeping the following items out of your garbage.

- Appliances & Tires: Can be taken to the Yard Waste Site for disposal (fees apply).
- Fluorescent Fixtures: Should be dropped off at the Bremer County Landfill's Regional Collection Center for Household Hazardous Waste.
- Yard Waste: Can be taken to the Yard Waste Site. Visit www.waverlyia.com/notgarbage to learn more!

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Garbage & Curbside Recycling

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If your normal garbage collection day is:	Your garbage (G) and/or curbside recycling (CR) will be collected on:	
Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 26 Friday, Nov. 27	Wednesday, Nov. 25 Monday, Nov. 30	G & CR G & CR
Christmas Thursday, Dec. 24 Friday, Dec. 25	Wednesday, Dec. 23 Monday, Dec. 28	G & CR G & CR
New Year's Day Friday, January 1	Thursday, Dec. 31	G
Good Friday Friday, March 26	Thursday, March 25	G



Wood Mulch

The City of Waverly offers wood mulch that residents can pick up at the Yard Waste Site for free. Residents may also choose to schedule the delivery of wood mulch for the delivery fees listed below. Place an order for delivery at www.waverlyia.com/mulch.

The City can load mulch onto private trucks or trailers from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Fridays.

One cubic yard of mulch covers an area of approximately 100 square feet at 3 inches thick.



One-ton Truck
3 cubic yards - \$25



Single Axle Truck
6 cubic yards - \$30



Tandem Truck
12 cubic yards - \$35



Learn more about **Waverly Public Services** by scanning the QR code. Contact us with questions by emailing PublicServices@waverlyia.com

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