

Watertown City Council

February 24, 2026

Agenda Item:	Yard Waste Site Temporary Closure
Request for Action:	Approve Temporary Closure of the Yard Waste Site
Employee/Dept.:	Dan Tolsma, Administration

Background:

City staff have noticed a significant increase in tree debris being disposed of at the yard waste site over the past several weeks. The vast majority of the debris is large and is being brought in on trailers, which indicates that non-local contractors are primarily responsible.

Discussion:

Staff are recommending a temporary closure of the yard waste site while the Council reviews alternative options/controls to better manage access to the site over the upcoming season. It is anticipated that the closure will be no longer than 3-4 weeks and that there will be minimal disruption to Watertown residents as the need for legitimate yard waste disposal is negligible at this time of year.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend approving the temporary closure of the yard waste site.

Motion Type:

Simple majority vote of members present.

Requested Action/Motion:

"I move to approve the temporary closure of the yard waste site until further notice."

Attachments:

None.