AGENDA ITEM HISTORY SHEET

ITEM TITLE	**AGENDA NO.** 2026-
Developing Yard Waste Program Ordianance	**AGENDA DATE:** 9/29/2026

FUNDING CERTIFICATION (Finance Director) (Signature, if applicable)

MANAGEMENT STAFF REVIEW (Signature)

MAYOR (Signature)

ITEM HISTORY (Previous Council reviews, action related to this item, and other pertinent history)

Yard Waste Program was established as courtesy pickup program in 2018 for the citizen of the City of Bryant. At this time council reviewed the program but an official ordinance was not established.

ITEM COMMENTARY (Background discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.) Please identify any or all impacts this proposed action would have on the City budget, personnel resources, and/or residents.

City of Bryant Public Works Deems it necessary to have a Yard Waste Program Ordinance in place since the yard waste program is a city provided service. Establishing proper regulations, guidelines and information to citizens.

(This section to be completed by the Mayor)

ACTION PROPOSED (Motion for Consideration)

Proposed to call for a motion to approve by Bryant City Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026- ___
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLSHING THE CITY OF BRYANT YARD WASTE PROGRAM AND YARD WASTE PROGRAM ORDINAANCE, PROVIDING REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION FOR THE COURTESY PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City of Bryant finds it necessary to establish a proper city ordinance for the City of Bryant Yard Waste Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bryant must set regulations and requirements for the City of Bryant Yard Waste Program; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bryant must protect citizens, city employees, city equipment and property.

SECTION 1:

The City of Bryant Public Works has established a courtesy yard waste program for the residential citizens of the City of Bryant. All yard waste pickups shall occur on Tuesday of each week.

SECTION 2:

All residential citizen within the City of Bryant shall follow the proper procedures to be eligible for the Bryant Yard Waste Program as follows:

1) All yard waste requests shall be submitted to the City of Bryant Street Department via www.bryantar.gov (preferred method) or by calling the City of Bryant Public Works to request a pickup. All requests must be submitted on Monday before 3 p.m. to receive pick up. Emailing city employees directly cannot ensure that you receive a yard waste pick up.
2) Acceptable yard waste debris is as follows: bushes, hedges, trees, tree limbs, pine needles, leaves, grass, vines, plants, flowers, and tree bark;
3) All leaves and yard waste debris other than trees or tree limbs shall be placed in paper bags and placed within the street-right-way;
4) All trees or tree limbs shall be placed in a pile within the street-right-way;
5) Any trees or limbs placed out for pickup must be cut by the property owner;
6) Trees and tree limbs shall not exceed 9' in total length;
7) The total width spread of branches, bushes or treetops shall not exceed 6' in width;
8) Any yard waste debris for pick up shall not be placed within 5' of mailboxes, vehicles, electric transformer boxes, RPZ's, meter boxes, risers, utility boxes, light poles of any sort. (When feasible citizens shall avoid placing yard waste debris in drainage ditches or blocking sidewalks);
9) No root balls will be accepted;
10) No dirt, topsoil or rocks will be accepted;
11) No treated lumber, trash, glass, building materials or non-yard waste will be accepted;

12) Yard waste debris and piles may not be placed under overhead obstructions such as electrical or cable lines;
13) Vehicles may not block the yard waste debris that has been requested to pick up.

SECTION 3:

Failure to comply with Section 2 of this ordinance will result in a non-pickup. Others not eligible for the yard waste pickup program are as follows:

1) Commercial businesses;
2) Apartments;
3) Mobile home parks;
4) Construction sites;
5) Private subdivisions and private roads;
6) Residential homes that yard waste debris along Reynolds Road (Highway 183) & Highway 5, this is for the safety of our employees due to high traffic volumes and not having the proper timing to set up the truck or set up to flag traffic;
7) Residents not within Bryant City Limits;
8) Yard waste debris placed outside of the Street Right-of-Way;
9) The City of Bryant will not access private property or private driveways to access yard waste debris.

SECTION 4:

Non-Collection Notices will be issued for yard waste debris request that are not collected due to failure to comply with Section 2 of this ordinance. Non-Collection Notices may come in the form of a door hanger or Hi-Viz sticker placed on the yard waste debris containing time, date and all information on why the debris was not picked up.

SECTION 5:

The City of Bryant yard waste program is a courtesy service program for the City of Bryant residents that meet qualifications in Section 2. The City of Bryant has no insight into the way yard waste debris may be piled, stacked, placed or any objects or infrastructure that may be placed under the yard waste debris. The City of Bryant is not responsible for any damage that may occur from citizens participating in the City of Bryant Yard Waste Program.

SECTION 5:

The City of Bryant yard waste program may be canceled or placed on hold due to the following reasons:

1) Inclement Weather (winter weather, tornados or flooding);
2) Burn Bans;
3) Holidays (In case of holidays the yard waste will be picked up later in the same week;

4) Equipment failure, issues or maintenance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRYANT, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The current City of Bryant Yard Waste Program does not have a proper ordinance.

SECTION II: This ordinance will establish a proper ordinance for the City of Bryant Yard Waste Program.

SECTION III: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ___ day of August, 2026.

APPROVED:

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Chris Treat, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mark Smith, City Clerk