

# EFFECTIVE OCTOBER, 2022

## City of Canandaigua 2022 - 2023

### Leaf and Brush Collection Program



Any questions regarding the 2022- 2023 Leaf Collection Program should be directed to the Department of Public Works at 585-396-5060 ext. 2151 OR 2145 from 8:00am-4:00pm, Mon.- Fri.

#### **NOVEMBER, 2022**

City crews will begin collecting loose leaves, city wide on Monday, October 31, 2022 (weather permitting) and will continue throughout the month of November. In a typical year we complete two full cycles through the city. We do, however, attempt to apply our crews each day to the areas with the most leaves ready for pick-up. Our progress each day is dependent on how we assign our crews, the volume of leaves prepared for pick-up and the weather.

The City utilizes a leaf collection machine that will vacuum the leaves from the lawn area adjacent to the pavement. Wet leaves require more time to collect with this machine than dry leaves, and slows the progress of the pick-up program. It is imperative not to mix rocks, sticks, bags, litter, etc. with the leaves as this will clog the machine and may contaminate our environmental leaf processing. Collected leaves are composted and land spread in future years.

**Loose leaves must be placed on the grassy area between the sidewalk and curb/ pavement edge only. DO NOT rake leaves into the street.** Raking leaves into the street can cause the storm drains to become plugged, leading to flooding. Because most of the storm drains empty into Canandaigua Lake via Sucker Brook, leaves in the street also become a source of phosphorus that contributes to the growth of algae in the lake. Placement of loose leaves in the street right-of-way after the month of November will constitute a violation of the Solid Waste Ordinance.

During fall yard clean-up is a good time to access your landscaping near the public sidewalks or streets. City code **requires** that private landscaping be maintained and trimmed so that the full width of the sidewalk is passable. Trees on private property that reach over the curb line into a public street must also be trimmed by the property owner so as not to impede vehicle traffic on the street.

#### **EVERY OTHER WEEK COLLECTION THRU END OF DECEMBER 2022**

We will continue our Lawn and Yard debris pickup every other week opposite recycling on your normal trash collection day. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO CALL.** As always, leaves should be placed separately in a can (32 gal. max.) or a biodegradable bag at curbside; leaves in plastic bags or boxes will not be collected.

#### **JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2023- NO LAWN/YARD DEBRIS PICKUP-**

Please be advised that we will NOT pickup any Lawn or Yard debris for the months of January and February. **Do not call the DPW office as you have in the past.**

#### **MARCH – DECEMBER, 2023**

**Yard waste will be collected every other week (opposite week from recycling) on your normal trash collection day.** Yard waste may be placed separately in a can (32 gallon and 45 pounds max) or a biodegradable bag at curbside. Leaves in plastic bags or boxes will **NOT** be collected. Tree limbs must be tied in bundles, not to exceed 5 feet in length or 45 pounds in weight with cut ends placed together.