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PLAINFIELD DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS

REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER 2012

NEW STORM WATER REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT. State Mandate:

All municipalities must remove loose debris from curb areas within seven (7) days or residents will be required to bag leaves and yard waste placed at the curb. Failure to comply will subject the City to fines. In an effort to prevent our residents from mandatory bagging of leaves and yard waste, it is crucial that all yard waste and leaves be placed at curb no later than 6 A.M. the day of pickup.

Brush and Tree parts:

All brush and tree parts **MUST** be tied and bundled.

- Maximum length – 4 feet
- Maximum weight – 50 pounds

Maximum bundles per pickup – 8

Oversized or untied brush and tree parts are an improper putout and will be subject to citation by a City Code Enforcement Officer. Residents or private contractors can take brush and tree parts, in excess of the above limits, to the PMUA, Rock Avenue Transfer Station. Fees will apply. For more information, call the Transfer Station at (908) 226-2518.

PROPERTY OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REMOVAL OF THEIR PRIVATE TREES OR TREE PARTS WHEN THEY EXCEED THE ABOVE LIMITATIONS.

FALL CLEANUP – Leaves and Yard Waste:

Place leaves and yard waste at curb loose or in biodegradable paper bags **ONLY**. Bags are available at the City Yard, 745 South Avenue. **DO NOT** contaminate with litter, dirt, grass, garbage or any other foreign objects. Plastic bags are an illegal putout and will be subject to a citation by a City Code Enforcement Officer.

Grass will not be picked up at anytime during the program. DO NOT place loose leaves or bagged leaves at the curb until the scheduled pickup date (see map and schedule inside). Maximum bag weight: 50 pounds.

- **DO NOT MIX BAGS WITH BUNDLED BRUSH!!!**
Mixed leaves and brush will not be picked up.

Street Sweeping:

For information on the scheduled activities, please call the Division of Public Works at (908) 753-3427 or stop by the City Yard, 745 South Avenue.

Hot Line Number: 908-753-3427

Inlet/Potholes: If you notice a clogged inlet or a pothole, call the hot line and give them the location.

The City of Plainfield, NJ



From the Mayor's Desk

Dear Plainfield Residents,

It is my pleasure to provide the Division of Public Works 2012 Fall Schedule of the curbside pick-up of brush and yard waste. Attached for your review are the scheduled dates for your location. Please keep this brochure in a convenient place and refer to it over the coming months.

Please continue to bag yard waste and vegetation in biodegradable bags. For your convenience, these bags will be available, free of charge, at the Public Works Yard, located at 745 South Avenue. **Plastic bags will not be accepted.**

Listed below are some of the highlights the Division of Public Works has accomplished.

- ◇ Renovations to City Hall: Interior walls were painted. The skylight glass windows towering over the main staircase were cleaned and re-painted. The main floor was stripped of years of paint and received a blend of colors followed by a top coat of clear epoxy. The seal was restored back to its natural historical logo and clear coated for long term protection. The floors on the remaining levels were painted and epoxy finished. Bathrooms were painted and new flooring was installed. Historical pictures were framed and placed at various locations to showcase Plainfield's rich history. Live plants added the finishing touch to the décor on the main floor completing the renovation.
- ◇ Arbor Day event was held at the Plainfield Public Library. Shade Tree Commissioners worked with Library staff and selected five large Kwanzan cherry trees They were planted with the help of kindergarten students from Evergreen school.

Restoration of the City Hall flag pole: The pole was erected 93 years ago. Over the years, natural elements began to destroy the wooded base of the pole. The pole was restored and set back in its original location.

- ◇ Public Works continues to assist community group sponsored cleanup events providing manpower, tools, bags and gloves with the slogan "Unify to Beautify".
- ◇ Street sweeping: Crews performed a 7-day street sweeping schedule for the Urban Enterprise Zone. Street sweeping crews logged a total of 7,800 miles, removing a total of over 1600 tons of debris from our city streets.

For your convenience, I have included information on other Divisions that fall under the umbrella of the Department of Public Works.

In closing, I want to Thank you for your support and cooperation as we continue to grow and move Plainfield forward.

Sincerely,

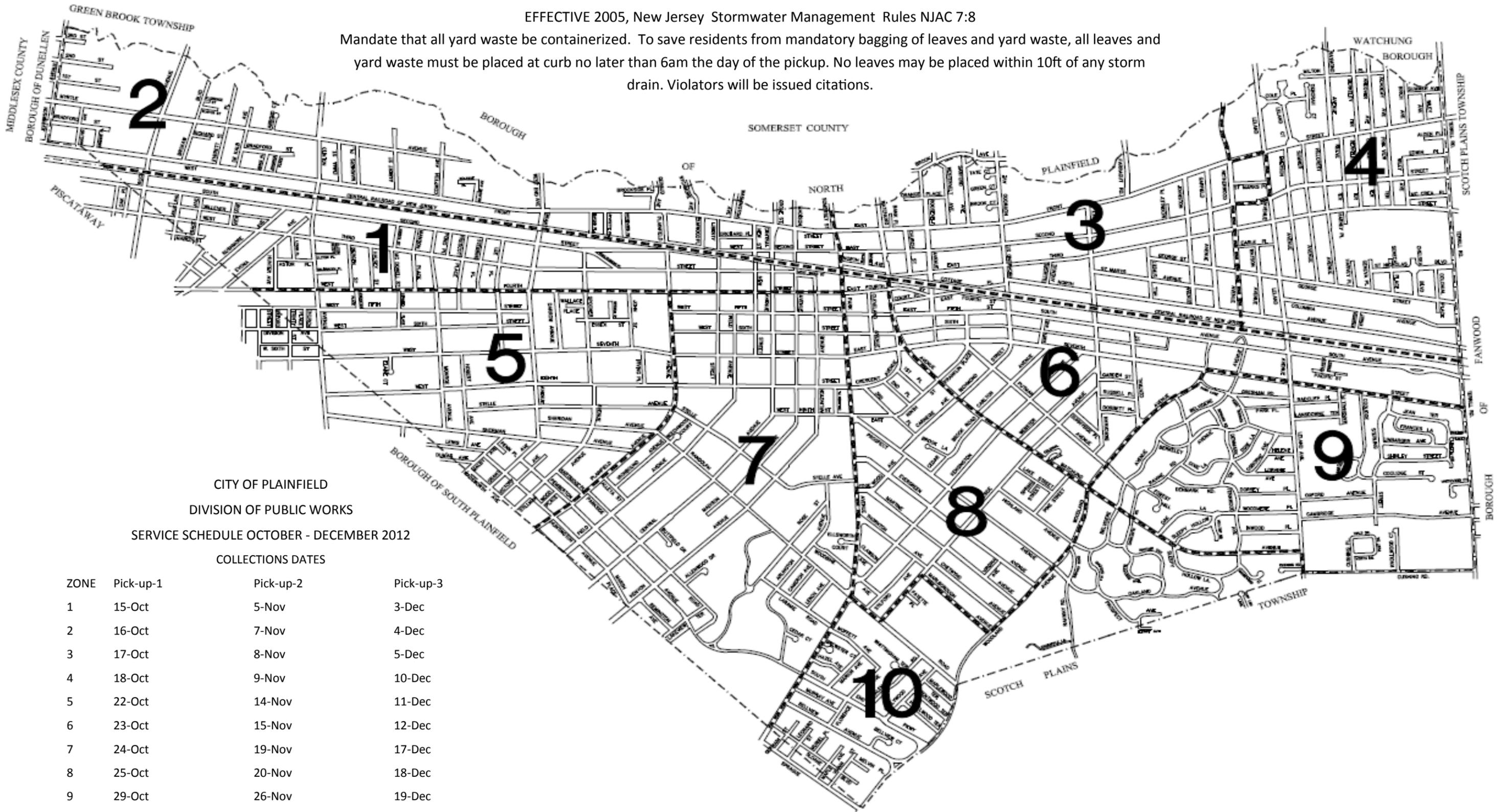
Sharon M. Robinson-Briggs
Mayor

SAVE THIS COMPLETED OCTOBER—DECEMBER 2012 SCHEDULE

REMINDER STATE-MANDATED STORM WATER REGULATIONS

EFFECTIVE 2005, New Jersey Stormwater Management Rules NJAC 7:8

Mandate that all yard waste be containerized. To save residents from mandatory bagging of leaves and yard waste, all leaves and yard waste must be placed at curb no later than 6am the day of the pickup. No leaves may be placed within 10ft of any storm drain. Violators will be issued citations.



CITY OF PLAINFIELD
 DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS
 SERVICE SCHEDULE OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2012
 COLLECTIONS DATES

ZONE	Pick-up-1	Pick-up-2	Pick-up-3
1	15-Oct	5-Nov	3-Dec
2	16-Oct	7-Nov	4-Dec
3	17-Oct	8-Nov	5-Dec
4	18-Oct	9-Nov	10-Dec
5	22-Oct	14-Nov	11-Dec
6	23-Oct	15-Nov	12-Dec
7	24-Oct	19-Nov	17-Dec
8	25-Oct	20-Nov	18-Dec
9	29-Oct	26-Nov	19-Dec
10	30-Oct	28-Nov	20-Dec

Department of Public Works

Engineering Division

Cynthia Smith 908-226-2514



The City of Plainfield has begun the reconstruction of a number of streets for the 2012 Roadway Improvement Program. We have also entered into inter-local agreements with the Township of Scotch Plains for the resurfacing of Cushing Road, and with the County of Union for the reconstruction of Park Ave. To obtain the list of roads or for more information, please visit the City's webpage at www.plainfieldnj.gov

Please Note:

Newly constructed concrete areas (sidewalks, driveway aprons, curb, gutter, etc.) **must not be treated with salt for ice removal during the winter**. Instead residents can use calcium chloride to de-ice in the newly constructed areas, preferably for two (2) winters following construction. Calcium chloride can be purchased at most home improvement stores.



Planning Division

William Neirstedt, Director/Zoning Officer

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The **Planning Division** provides professional, technical, and clerical support to the Planning Board (PB), the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA), the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC), and the Shade Tree Commission (STC), in addition to serving as the city Zoning Officer.

Recent major activities include:

- New construction to begin at 916 South Avenue (the former Fox Nursery) of 25 condominium units which were approved by the ZBA.
- The HPC recently safeguarded the continued historic vitality of Cedar Brook Park through proper historic re design of the soon to be reconstructed Pemberton Ave Bridge.
- The STC has provided for the late fall planting of 52 street trees through a County of Union grant, and has also worked with the Engineering Division to ensure the proper removal, preservation, and planting of street trees in conjunction with the road improvement program.
- Residents are reminded that zoning approvals must be obtained prior to installation of fences, walls, sheds, porches, and other property improvements.

Planning Division continues to serve the needs of our residents and businesses and we ask that you feel free to contact us if you need us.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DIVISION OF INSPECTIONS

Oscar L. Turk, Jr., Director

(908) 753-3386

The **Division of Inspections** primary mission is to serve the public's need for sound and progressive property maintenance by recognizing the need of the community to have minimum requirements for buildings, structures, facilities and premises with conditions which must be maintained to protect the health, safety and general welfare of our residents.

Through the administration of the Property Maintenance Code and the State Uniform Construction Code we assure that the housing stock of the City of Plainfield is occupied in a safe and legal manner that enhances the quality of life for all its citizens. We issue construction permits for building, fire, plumbing and electrical.

The Inspections Division issues violation notices to residents/owners that do not have garbage haulers, who violate the Property Maintenance Code; and is also responsible for the issuance of Certificate of Compliances for Sale/Rental (Short sale & Foreclosures). We assist with the Yard Waste Program and Heating Notification Program.

We may be reached at the following: (908) 753-3386 for Property Maintenance Code questions/violations, or (908) 226-2665 for construction permit/questions, you may also e-mail Oscar.Turk@plainfieldnj.gov. For further information please visit us at the City's Website at www.plainfieldnj.gov.

The Mandatory Purchase of Flood Insurance Requirement

NFIP: This community participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which makes federally backed flood insurance available for all eligible buildings, whether they are in a floodplain or not. Flood insurance covers direct losses caused by surface flooding, including a river flowing over its banks, a lake or ocean storm, and local drainage problems.

The NFIP insures buildings, including mobile homes, with two types of coverage: building and contents. Building coverage is for the walls, floors, insulation, furnace, and other items permanently attached to the structure. Contents coverage may be purchased separately, if the contents are in an insurable building.

For more information, please contact the Office of Economic Development at telephone number 908.226.2519; electronic correspondence at jacques.howard@plainfieldnj.gov



Plainfield Division of Parks & Recreation

Fall & Winter Program Information

ARTS & CRAFTS - Boys & Girls 5-17

Duration: 11/13/12 - 3/29/13

Tuesday & Friday - 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location: Evergreen Elementary School

DOUBLE DUTCH - Boys & Girls 5-17

Duration: 11/13/12 - 3/28/13

Tuesday & Thursday - 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Location: Barlow Elementary School

BASKETBALL - Boys & Girls 6 - 17

Duration: 11/12/12 - 3/30/13

Monday - Thursday & Saturdays (practice days based on age)

6:30pm - 8:30pm / 9:00am - Noon

Parent Orientation 11/8/12 - 6:30pm (Location TBA)

DANCE - Boys & Girls 5 - 14

Duration: 11/13/12 - 3/28/13

Tuesday/Thursday - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Location: Clinton Elementary School

GOLF - Boys & Girls 4 - Adults

Duration: 11/13/12 - 3/28/13

SWIMMING - Boys & Girls 5 - Adult

Duration: Session 1 - 11/12/12 - 12/12/13

Session 2 - 12/17/12 - 1/23/13(Holiday Week)

Session 3 - 1/28/13 - 2/27/13

Session 4 - 3/4/13 - 4/3/13

Each class requires a skills testing orientation for new registrants.

Cost: \$35 - Residents/\$40 - Non Residents

Location: Plainfield High School

WRESTLING - Boys & Girls 4 - 14

Duration: 11/12/12 - 3/30/13

Monday - Friday & Saturday - 6:00pm - 8:00pm / 1pm - 3pm

Location: Plainfield High School - Old Building - ROTC Room

FASHION PASSION - Boys & Girls 7-14

Duration: 11/13/12 - 3/28/13

Tuesday - 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Clinton School

ON CAMERA ACTING - Boys & Girls 7-14

Duration: 11/15/12 - 3/26/13

Thursday - 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Emerson School



Up coming Events

Multicultural Community Fall Scrapbook & Memory Making

Saturday, October 20, 2012- 10 am- 3pm

Washington Community School - Cafeteria

Halloween Party

Friday, October 26, 2012 - 6pm

Washington Community School

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Friday, December 7, 2012 (Inclement Weather date 12/14)

Steps of City Hall - 6pm

Fall Fishing Derby

Saturday, October 13, 2012 - 10am

Greenbrook Park

Volunteer Appreciation Night

Friday, November 16, 2012/6pm-9pm

Emerson Elementary School-Cafeteria

Kwanzaa Celebration

Saturday, December 29, 2012 - 3pm - 7pm

Washington Community School



SIGN UP NOW***YOUTH BASEBALL*****SIGNUP NOW**

The City of Plainfield, Division of Parks & Recreation Baseball program will be offered starting Spring, 2013. The program will be open to youth ages 4 to 14 and will include Tee Ball, Minor, Major, and Pony League. Registration begins October 1st and continues through March, 2013. Registration cost is \$25 and includes uniforms and use of equipment. Program begins April, 2013 and deadline for registration will NOT be extended.

Forms are available in the Parks & Recreation office, 510 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, NJ.

Volunteers, Team Mom, Coaches & Assistant Coaches are needed.- If you are interested in coaching, please contact the Recreation Office for more details.

TOYS FOR TOTS—TOY REQUEST

The holidays are fast approaching, and the Division of Recreation is preparing for the Christmas Tree Lighting. We are accepting Toys for Tots toy request applications. If you are interested or know someone who may benefit from this program, please come in to the Recreation office and fill out an application. A copy of the birth certificate for each child will be required. Application deadline is Friday, November 2, 2012 by 5:00pm.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS

The Division of Parks & Recreation is always looking for new programs and events. If you have a suggestion please contact the Recreation Office at (908) 753-3097.

Plainfield Division of Parks & Recreation

City Hall Annex, 510 Watchung Avenue

Plainfield, NJ 07061

Phone (908) 753-3097 / Fax (908) 226-8038

Website - www.Plainfield.com/Recreation/Email-recreation@plainfield.com

city of Plainfield

Mayor Sharon Robinson-Briggs

Late night/Saturday Registration Dates

Thursday Evening Registration(5pm-8pm) - 10/4, 10/18, 11/8