

## **2022 FALL LEAF PICKUP – Begins October 10<sup>th</sup>**

The City of Waseca is proud to announce the return of the Fall Leaf Pickup program for City of Waseca residents. This program is in addition to the City's Spring Cleanup Program which focuses on tree/branch/shrub pickup. As part of our MS4 permit, the City is required to complete regular street sweeping and try to reduce the sediment and organic waste loadings into the MS4 system to protect and improve the City's surface water system.

In order for the Fall Leaf Pickup Program to be a success, the City requests residents abide by the following guidelines:

- The City has been divided into 8 sections. Each section will have their leaves picked up by the City's leaf vac on a specific day. Leaf pickup is scheduled for 4 out of the 5 work days. This allows a "make-up" day each week in case of difficult weather or emergency work.
- Residents are allowed to rake their leaves into the street gutters no more than 24 hours prior to their scheduled pickup date. Leaves should be loose and not in bags. No sticks/branches/trees/etc. should be placed in the street, if staff determines that there is unwanted debris in the leaf piles, the piles will be left and the property owner will be contacted and required to remove the leaves and debris from the street and either separate the debris and wait for their next scheduled pickup day or dispose of the leaves themselves. Residents are able to rake their leaves into a pile on their lawn prior to the scheduled pickup day, but the leaves should not be actually placed in the street until 24 hours prior.
- City crews will then vac the leaves as scheduled as part of our regular fall street sweeping and leaf pickup program.
- The leaf pickup program will run for 6 weeks starting the week of October 10th. It takes 2 weeks to complete the entire City, thereby over a 6 week program all properties will have 3 pickup days over the 6 week program.

The City appreciates your participation and attention to the guidelines for this fall leaf pickup program. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 507.835.9700.