



**Summary of Changes in 2014**  
**Wood Recovery and Compost Facility**  
**1420 East 11th Street**  
**(east of 11<sup>th</sup> and Haskell Avenue, over the railroad tracks)**

**Changes for Residential Customers**

- ➔ **Saturday public drop-off: in 2014 facility opens earlier in the year with expanded hours.**

The Saturday public drop-off at the Wood Recovery and Compost Facility will open one month earlier this year, in March. It will be open following the same schedule as the City's residential curbside collection of yard waste which begins the first week of March and runs through mid-December (weather permitting). The Saturday public drop-off expanded hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Residents may drop off brush and other yard waste material which includes leaves, grass clippings, garden waste, and prunings from trees and shrubs. Cost: \$5 per pickup truckload (more for larger trucks). Cash only.



- ➔ **Compost and woodchips: in 2014 material available for purchase on Saturdays (self-load) and during one Sale Event.**



In previous years, the City's compost and woodchips were available for purchase through two Sale Events only. In 2014, residents may purchase compost and woodchips on Saturdays at the Compost Facility starting in March through mid-December from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Self-load only. Cost: \$10 per pickup truck load (more for larger trucks). Cash only.

In addition, this spring the City will hold a Sale Event for compost and woodchips on Thursday through Saturday, March 27, 28, 29 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (city will load trucks and trailers; \$10 per bucket load, equivalent to two cubic yards). The sale will be held rain or shine. Cash only.

More details available at [www.lawrenceks.org/swm](http://www.lawrenceks.org/swm).

## Changes for Commercial Customers

- **Facility access: in 2014 limited to lawn care companies, garden stores, and property management companies.**

In 2014, the City of Lawrence Solid Waste Division will continue to authorize lawn care companies, garden stores, and property management companies to drop off material at the Wood Recovery and Compost Facility. During the last two years, tree companies were allowed access to drop off woody debris and woodchips on a trial basis. In 2013, the City received more woody debris than it could process and distribute in the timeframe allowed within the facility's state permit. Facility usage authorization for tree companies will not be renewed this year.



- **Facility usage fees: increased in 2014.**

Facility usage fees are charged annually to cover the City's cost of processing the material dropped off by authorized lawn care companies, garden stores, and property management companies (on average there are 70 permitted companies). Processing costs includes labor, equipment, and fuel as well as facility and equipment maintenance. Each year the City evaluates these costs and adjusts the facility usage fees accordingly. In 2014, the facility usage fees increased to \$200 for the annual sign-up fee per company plus fob key fee (fee varies depending on vehicle size). This program is a still significant benefit considering the alternative of hauling yard waste to the landfill would cost a \$35.25 minimum gate fee or \$47 per ton.

