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PRESS RELEASE

City Suspends Curbside Tree Branch Collection Rules in Aftermath of Storm

SCHENECTADY – Mayor Gary McCarthy and Commissioner of General Services Commissioner Paul Lafond announced that the City of Schenectady will be suspending the rules for collection of fallen tree branches left at the curb to assist residents in the aftermath of the April 19th storm.

“To assist residents in the aftermath of this storm, the City will suspend normal rules for curbside collection,” **Mayor McCarthy said**. “Over the next several days we encourage residents to leave fallen tree limbs, branches, and debris at the curb for pick up.”

Starting on **Thursday, April 21, 2022** and ending **Friday, April 29, 2022**, City crews will be collecting all fallen tree limbs and branches left at the curb. Also, the branches do not have to be tied together in bundles. For questions about curbside collection, please call the City of Schenectady Department of General Services at 518-382-5144.

Standard collection rules for the City’s Department of General Services are that branches left at the curb must be less than three inches in diameter, trimmed to four feet or less in length, and also tied in a bundle.

All downed wires should be considered live and dangerous and should immediately be reported to National Grid at 1-800-867-5222. If you need emergency services, please dial 911. To report an outage or to receive restoration updates, please visit:
<https://outagemap.ny.nationalgridus.com>.