

## RESOLUTION

### JAMES CITY COUNTY VEGETATIVE DEBRIS POLICY

WHEREAS, James City County is occasionally subjected to weather events that cause damage to trees and vegetation; and

WHEREAS, a weather impact on the County ranges from small isolated areas to widespread damage; and

WHEREAS, extensive tree damage may exceed the capabilities of local residents within the County to adequately remove the debris without public assistance; and

WHEREAS, extensive and widespread vegetative debris caused by weather events may have deleterious effects on the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of James City County; and

WHEREAS, given the possible wide-range of adverse impacts as a result of weather events on trees in the County, the Board of Supervisors of James City County wishes to establish a policy for determining the circumstances under which County assistance and the nature of that assistance will be provided to residents of the community.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, hereby declares that the curbside collection of vegetative debris will be undertaken by the County when there is a Declaration of Emergency that affects all or a significant portion of the County by the governor and when a local Declaration of Emergency has been declared by the Board of Supervisors. Subsequent to a Declaration of Emergency by the Board of Supervisors, the County Administrator will submit a plan for the collection and disposal of the vegetative debris for the Board of Supervisors approval. The decision to collect and dispose of vegetative debris will be based upon a damage survey detailing the scope and severity of damage. It shall be the policy of the Board of Supervisors only to declare local States of Emergency for weather events that cause tree damage affecting all or significant portions of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for weather events causing more localized damage that do not rise to the threshold to be declared an emergency by the Board of Supervisors, other assistance to residents may be provided by direction of the Board of Supervisors on a case-by-case basis, which generally will not include vegetative debris curbside collection. Other options and actions that may be considered by the Board of Supervisors include:

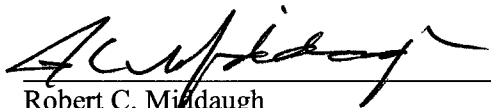
- Providing information to residents about private service options for vegetative debris collection.
- Waiving disposal fees at the Jolly Pond Convenience Center site for weather event related vegetative debris.
- Bulk collection at individual sites under the established County bulk collection service program then in effect.

Curbside collection of vegetative debris as a result of localized weather events will be undertaken only when and if there are specific circumstances in which the previous options cannot resolve a vegetative debris issue and there is a finding by the Board of Supervisors that absent County intervention there would be a direct threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of James City County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is both authorized and directed to implement a communication plan to inform residents of the County how the County will be addressing vegetative debris caused by weather events.

  
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John J. McGlennon  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

  
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Robert C. Mindaugh  
Clerk to the Board

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MCGLENNON	<u>X</u>	___	___
JONES	<u>X</u>	___	___
KENNEDY	<u>X</u>	___	___
ICENHOUR	<u>X</u>	___	___
BRADSHAW	<u>X</u>	___	___

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 23rd day of July, 2013.

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