## City of Kramer Resolution 25-05 Management of Yard Debris in City Drainage Ditches, Culverts, and Underground Drainage Pipes

**Whereas** the City of Kramer acknowledges the authority to construct and maintain culverts, drains, and other drainage infrastructure within the confines of the city to control stormwater and water driven by snow melt.

**Whereas** the City of Kramer acknowledges that this authority extends to regulating activities that could affect culverts and their function, including requiring proper maintenance, preventing obstructions, and ensuring compliance with stormwater management regulations.

**Whereas** the City of Kramer recognizes City of Kramer Ordinance 4: City Lot Maintenance dated October 3, 1977, that directs the upkeep of city lots and properties, to include the mowing of said properties.

**Whereas** the City of Kramerdefines yard waste as organic debris from your yard, garden, landscaping, and outdoor projects. This includes mowed grass clipping, agricultural debris, plant and tree trimmings, leaves and branches.

**Be it resolved** the City of Kramer shall continue the enforcement of City Ordinance 4, dated 3 October, 1977, which requires city lots to mowed at a minimum of four (4) times annually. Insomuch the city wishes to convey the necessity for property owners and those parties contracted to mow lots and properties within the City of Kramer to cease blowing, grading, scraping, or raking yard waste from mowing projects into adjacent roadside drainage ditches, culverts, and up against pipes responsible for wastewater drainage under roads. We ask that such debris be blown back onto the property being cut.

**Be it resolved** the City of Kramer does not seek to tell how people to mow their property. But please be cognizant of the threat created when you hamper or stop the flow of wastewater from the property of the other people.

**Be it resolved** the City of Kramer shall investigate the possible modification of the city Inert Landfill to accept yard waste in the future. It is a difficult material to deal with due to its tendency to heat and then generate an unexpected fire.

Adopted this day – 15 July 2025

Council Vote – Unanimous in favor

~~Mayor/~~Council President Original Signed – Mark Timbrook

Interim Auditor Attests: Original Signed – Eunice Timbrook