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The primary reason for requesting the addition to this ordinance was to prevent the spread of invasive species to our parks. There is evidence that home owners and some landscaping workers have dumped yard waste in parks. This has been observed by people who live near Forest Hill Park. Since many private properties have invasive plants, it is likely that these may be spread by seed or by plants taking root. This will only add to the already overwhelming invasive issue in our parks. I live near Crooked Branch Ravine Park where neighbors dumped yard waste years ago. Volunteers are now spending time and effort to remove invasive plants that were dumped.

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