City to open three new dump sites

Temporary dumps at Earlscourt Park, Ted Reeve Arena and Wishing Well Park to close this evening

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Toronto will close three temporary garbage dump sites at 7 p.m. today, and open three new ones at 7 a.m. tomorrow.

The three new sites are:

- * The parking lot at Clairlea Park Arena, 45 Fairfax Crescent, west of Warden Ave., north of St. Clair Ave. E.:
- * The outdoor rink at Campbell Park, 225 Campbell Avenue (near Lansdowne and Dupont) Enter off Campbell Ave., north of Wallace Ave.;
- *The parking lot at L'Amoreaux Park, 100 Silver Springs Blvd., east of Birchmount Rd., north of Finch Ave. E.

Once the new sites open tomorrow, they will be open daily from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



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Garbage is piled up at the Kingston and Birchmount dump site. (July 10, 2009)

The three sites to be closed are at: Earlscourt Park; Ted Reeve Area; and Wishing Well Park.

Geoff Rathbone, general manager of solid waste, told a briefing on the city's strike contingency plans that the dumping area at Clairlea Park had been moved back so it wouldn't be quite so close to neighbouring houses.

Rathbone said the city has issued 328 fines for illegal dumping since the strike began more than three weeks ago.

City manager Joe Pennachetti wouldn't answer questions about the state of bargaining with the city's striking workers, except to say that talks continue and "things are moving forward." He wouldn't elaborate.