

February 4, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202600240

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Subject: LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – 2027 Urban Forestry Assessment Procedure

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Attached is a Legislative Resolution captioned as follows:

**DECLARING** the necessity of assessing for the control of blight and disease of shade trees within the public right-of-way, and for planning, care, maintenance, trimming, and removing shade trees in and along the streets of the City of Cincinnati Urban Forestry Maintenance District for Calendar year 2027.

The Board of Park Commissioners at their **December 18, 2025**, meeting recommended an assessment rate of \$0.31 per front foot to continue funding of street tree maintenance and planting services in 2027 (FY28).

It was determined that this rate of funding is sufficient to continue current service levels and various program activities.

The Administration recommends the adoption of this resolution.

Attachment 1 – Assessment Resolution

Attachment 2 – Work Plan Narrative and Budget

cc: Jason Barron, Director, Cincinnati Park Board

Crystal Courtney, Division Manager of Natural Resources  
Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor