

February 5, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Subject: LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – 2026 Urban Forestry Assessment Procedure

Attached is a Legislative Resolution captioned as follows:

DECLARING the necessity of assessing for the control of blight and disease of shade trees, and for the planting, care, maintenance, trimming, and removal of public trees, in and along the streets and the public right-of-way within the City of Cincinnati's Urban Forestry Maintenance District for calendar year 2026.

The Board of Park Commissioners at their **December 19, 2024**, meeting recommended an assessment rate of \$0.31 per front foot to continue funding of street tree maintenance and planting services in 2026 (FY27).

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