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Title: Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 10-32 by adding new Section 10-32-205 to establish requirements for removal of damaged, diseased and dangerous parkway trees

Committee(s) Assignment: Committee on Transportation and Public Way

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ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:


SECTION 1. Chapter 10-32 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 10-32-205, as follows:

10-32-205. Removal of damaged, diseased, and dangerous parkway trees.

(a) The bureau of forestry shall remove or trim, as applicable, all trees in the parkway that are damaged, diseased, or dangerous. Removal of a parkway tree under this section shall include removal of the tree stump and the tree roots when required to eliminate any conditions that cause the tree to be dangerous. Trimming of a parkway tree under this section shall include removal of any portions of a tree required to eliminate any conditions that cause the tree to be dangerous, and if a dangerous parkway tree cannot be safely trimmed in a manner that eliminates all conditions that make the tree dangerous, the bureau of forestry shall remove such parkway tree entirely. **[Upon request from a ward superintendent or the applicable alderman, the bureau of forestry shall expedite the removal or trimming of dangerous parkway trees under this section.]**

(b) As used in this section, a parkway tree is considered dangerous when any part of the tree poses an unreasonable risk of damage to any person or property, including when any part of the tree encroaches upon or grows on or over a portion of a residential structure or detached garage or is impacting any utilities, roads, alleys, or sidewalks.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.


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