

chemical inoculation against the emerald ash borer through its Bureau of Forestry, and estimates current costs of inoculation effective for three years at \$120 per tree, or \$6 million for the entire ash population; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Forestry estimates the current cost of removing and replacing a dead tree at \$1500 per tree, or \$75 million for the entire ash canopy; and

WHEREAS, branch and limb removal from deteriorating trees adds further work for Bureau of Forestry crews, and can cause damage to private property that impacts the quality of life of residents and may make the City liable for claims of damage at still further cost to the City; and

WHEREAS, ash tree inoculation could be fully funded for over thirty years and still be the more cost-effective option than the City's current strategy of unmanaged die-offs; now therefore:

o

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby call upon the Administration to include in their 2022 Budget Recommendations appropriations for a fully funded ash tree inoculation program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call upon the Department of Streets and Sanitation to adopt a managed ash tree program that combines regular inoculation with the removal of least-healthy trees until the ash tree population is replaced.

o

Rossana Rodriguez-Sanchez
Aldersperson, 33rd Ward

Andre Vasquez, Jr.
Aldersperson, 40th Ward

Matt Martin
Aldersperson, 47th Ward

\
Alderman, / f Ward

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, J^T^rVard

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, Ward

Alderman, 1 Ward

Alderman, frff^ Ward

Alderman, / b Ward Alderman, Ward
Alderman, Ward

Alderman, **73** Ward

Alderman, Ward