LOCAL LAWS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 2021

No. 141

Introduced by Council Members Borelli, Yeger, Rose, Moya, Brannan, Powers, Salamanca, Kallos, Gjonaj and Miller.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the replacement of city-owned trees that have been lawfully removed

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision e of section 18-107 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

e. The department shall promulgate such rules as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this section, including but not limited to rules governing the fee to be paid to the department and any method used to calculate the number and size of the replacement trees required to be planted, provided that: [such]

1. Such replacement trees shall, at a minimum, equal one caliper inch of replacement tree for each caliper inch of tree removed;

2. The number of caliper inches of replacement trees to be required in zoning districts R1, R2 and R3 shall be no greater than twice the number of caliper inches removed; and

3. In promulgating such rules, the department shall [substantially] comply with guidelines set forth [by the international society of arboriculture] *in the most recent version of the guide for plant appraisal, published by the council of tree and landscape appraisers on or before December 31,*

2017, provided that the department shall review each update to such standards and guide to determine whether any new rules should be promulgated consistent with such updated standards and guide.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 180 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of parks and recreation may promulgate rules or take other actions for the implementation of this local law prior to such effective date.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on November 10, 2021 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on December 13, 2021.

MICHAEL M. McSWEENEY, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the form of the enclosed local law (Local Law No. 141 of 2021, Council Int. No. 957-A of 2018) to be filed with the Secretary of State contains the correct text of the local law passed by the New York City Council, presented to the Mayor and neither approved nor disapproved within thirty days thereafter.

STEPHEN LOUIS, Acting Corporation Counsel.