

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 2025**

No. 59

Introduced by Council Members Williams, Riley, Gennaro, Restler, Lee, Zhuang, Banks, Krishnan, Ayala, Stevens, Dinowitz, Narcisse, Louis, Cabán, Brooks-Powers, Avilés, Gutiérrez, Hudson, Schulman, Won, Mealy, Ossé, Nurse, Hanks, Moya, Menin, Holden, Ung, Joseph, Abreu, Feliz, Hanif, De La Rosa, Brannan, Bottcher, Rivera, Marmorato, Ariola, Paladino and Vernikov.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to prioritization of maintenance of trees adjacent to buildings and structures

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 18 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 18-105.2 to read as follows:

§ 18-105.2 Trees adjacent to buildings. a. The department shall develop criteria, including a rating system, for the prioritization for maintenance of any tree that is: (i) under the jurisdiction of the commissioner; and (ii) adjacent to a building or other structure. The criteria shall include whether a limb of such a tree has made physical contact with any part of such building or structure, whether a limb of such a tree may imminently make physical contact with part of any such building or structure due to tree growth or other circumstance, and the potential for damage to such building or structure that may result from any such contact or imminent contact.

b. The department shall post on its website the criteria developed in subdivision a and information about the development of such criteria.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 1 year after it becomes law.

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 April 10, 2025 and returned unsigned by the Mayor on May 12, 2025.

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. 59 of 2025, Council Int. No. 800-A of 2024) 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.

SPENCER FISHER, Acting Corporation Counsel.