
**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2023-039**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK
COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE IX (“GENERAL
REGULATIONS”), CHAPTER 98 (“TREES”) OF THE CODE
OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS**

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OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois (the “*City*”) is a duly organized and existing City created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, with full powers to enact ordinances and adopt resolutions for the benefits of the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Blue Island may from time to time amend the text of the City Code of Blue Island (the “*Code*”) when it is determined to be in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City find that the following amendments to the Code of Blue Island, Illinois, as set forth herein, are in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Aldermen of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. That the Mayor and Aldermen of the City find and determine that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the City as well as in the best interests of the public.

Section 3. That Chapter 98 (“*Trees*”) of Title IX (“*General Regulations*”) of the Code

of Blue Island, Illinois is hereby amended by adding the underlined language to read, as follows:

§ 98.001 TITLE.

The ordinance from which the provisions of this chapter derive shall be known as and may be cited as the "Blue Island Tree Ordinance".

§ 98.002 PURPOSE AND INTENT.

(A) Purpose.

(1) It is the purpose of this Chapter to recognize the services and function that trees provide as part of the infrastructure to the entire community and to state the goals of the City with respect to the protection, preservation, care and planting of trees on public lands. It is also the purpose of this chapter to make the residents of the City more aware and concerned about trees and to promote and protect the public health, safety and general welfare by providing for the regulation of the planting, maintenance and removal of trees, shrubs and other plants within the City. Furthermore, this Chapter seeks to educate and promote the esthetic benefits of trees in the City in addition to the economic benefits, including but not limited to, retention of rain water, reduction of flooding, reduction in the cost of air conditioning, blocking of ultraviolet light to sustain pavement life, increased property value, and clean air.

(2) Blue Islanders have a long and proud history of beautiful tree lined streets and landscaped homes. Every fall and spring, the trees in the city add to the charm of the community. They also add financial value to property in the city. This Chapter is necessary to ensure that the city protects one of its most valuable commodities.

(B) Intent. It is the intent of the City Council that the terms of this chapter shall be construed so as to promote:

(1) The planting, maintenance, restoration and survival of desirable trees, shrubs, and other plants within the city; and

(2) The protection of the city from damage caused or threatened by the improper planting, maintenance or removal of trees, shrubs or other plants located within the community.

§ 98.003 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

APPLICANT. An owner of a lot, parcel or tract of land for which an application has been

filed for a permit, subdivision, or any activity requiring the issuance of a permit. A contractor is an agent, acting on behalf of an Applicant – the landowner.

AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE (Hereinafter Called ANSI): The primary organization for fostering the development of workplace standards in the United States.

ARBORIST. Any individual experienced in the profession of forestry or a related field and is licensed or certified in forestry by an accredited forestry industry body, e.g. International Society of Arboriculture.

BUCKTHORN. An undesirable exotic invasive ornamental shrub introduced to North America. This species inhabits woodlands and savannas where it dominates the landscape prohibiting the development of native trees and plants. There are six species of buckthorn listed in the Illinois Exotic Weed Act, which prohibits the sale, distribution, or planting of this species, Rhamnus cathartica, frangula, argula, utilis and japonica.

BUILDING ACTIVITY AREA. The portion of a property within which development activity, including grading, excavation, storage of materials, construction access and construction of both main building and unattached structures.

CANOPY. The upper portion of a tree is sometimes called the crown. This section of the tree usually contains branches and leaves.

CITY ARBORIST. Either a designated employee of the Department of Public Works certified as an arborist, a certified arborist hired by the City, or any person, contractor, or firm in the occupation or business of consulting, interacting, or in any way impacting trees on city property that has a certified arborist on staff in order to undertake any activity on trees, including but not limited to pruning, planting, treating, or removing any tree.

CITY COUNCIL. The Mayor and Alderman of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois.

CITY PROPERTY. Land lying between private property lines, or within the lines of either side of all streets, avenues, boulevards, lanes, squares, courts, cul-de-sacs, alleys, or other public rights-of-way or grounds, including but not limited to parkways, sidewalks, and curbs, or any other village owned land.

CRITICAL ROOT ZONE. An Area on the ground extending out from the trunk of the tree in all directions a distance of at least one foot for every inch DBH.

CUTTING. Felling or removal of a tree, or any procedure that results in the death or substantial destruction of a tree. Cutting does not include normal pruning or trimming of trees consistent with good forestry practices.

DECIDUOUS TREE. A deciduous tree is one that loses most or all of its leaves for part

of the year.

DEVELOPMENT. Any proposed change in the use or character of land, including, but not limited to the replacement of any structure or site improvements, e.g. irrigation installation, driveway replacement, installation of a retaining wall among others. When appropriate to the context, development may refer to the receipt or necessity of any building, tree or site work permit.

DIAMETER AT BREAST HEIGHT. The diameter of the trunk of the tree measured in inches at a point 4.5 feet above ground line. This forestry standard measurement is used for established and mature trees and is referred to as "DBH". All reference to diameter size shall be to the DBH.

INFRASTRUCTURE. The basic underlying framework or features that provide collective services, including but not limited to roads, waterlines, storm sewers, bioswales, and trees.

INVASIVE SPECIES. An introduced or exotic species that significantly modifies or disrupts the ecosystem in which it colonizes (e.g., buckthorn).

LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR. A company or individual contracted to perform landscape services.

NUISANCE TREES. Nuisance trees are trees that may provide potential impacts to other trees, people or structures. This would include, but not be limited to, diseased, infested, structurally unsound trees or known invasive species.

PARCEL. A single parcel shall mean any lot of record, zoning lot or any grouping of adjacent lots under single ownership, serving a principal structure or use.

PROPERTY OWNER. The record owner or contract purchaser of any parcel of land.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT. The person responsible for the operation of the Department of Public Works in the City of Blue Island, Illinois and who is responsible in the first instance to enforce the terms and provisions of this Chapter.

REAR YARD. Rear yard as used in this Chapter shall have the same meaning as ascribed to in the Zoning Code.

REGULATED ARTICLES. Any insects at any living stage of development, any quarantined materials such as wood products including, but not limited to chips, limbs, lumber, firewood, contaminated soils, or any other product or means of conveyance which may be determined by Federal or State departments of agriculture to pose a risk of spread of any infestation or infection.

SIMPLE TREE REMOVAL. Removal of a tree without other associated site impacts or

other site improvements.

SITE. That parcel of land for which a permit for landscaping or tree removal is sought.

STREET TREE REMOVAL. Any tree located on or within the public right-of-way easement.

TRANSPLANTING. The removal of any tree for replanting elsewhere.

TREE. Any self-supporting woody plant, together with its root system, trunk and canopy; growing upon the earth usually with one trunk, or a multi-stemmed trunk system, supporting a definitely formed crown.

TREES, SHRUBS AND OTHER PLANTS. All vegetation, woody or otherwise, except lawn grass and flowers less than 24 inches in height.

TREE REMOVAL. The cutting down, destruction, removal or relocation of any tree, including damaging by poison or other direct or indirect action.

URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN. A detailed plan developed and approved by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City under the direction of the City Arborist which protects this valuable infrastructure and outlines thoughtful strategies for tree planting, selection, care and preservation for the city and complies with recognized national standards.

VIALBE. A tree, which in the judgment of the Public Works Department, is capable of sustaining its own life processes, unaided by man, for a reasonable period of time.

§ 98.004 006 PUBLIC TREE CARE.

(A) The City hereby adopts the most current ANSI A300 Standards as guidelines for the care, maintenance, pruning, and planting of trees. The city shall have the right to plant, prune, maintain and remove trees, plants and shrubs within the lines of all streets, alleys, avenues, lanes, public grounds, as may be necessary to ensure public safety or to preserve or enhance the symmetry and beauty of such public grounds.

(B) The Public Works Superintendent and/or City Arborist shall be responsible for the implementation of this Chapter. The Public Works Director, upon the advice of the City Arborist, has the responsibility to analyze and determine where trees should be added, pruned or removed and may remove or cause or order to be removed, any tree, or part thereof, which:

(1) is in an unsafe condition or which, by reason of its nature, is injurious to public sewers, electric power lines, gas lines, water lines or other public improvements or is affected with any injurious fungus, insect, or other pest. This section does not prohibit the planting of street trees by adjacent property owners providing that the selection and location of said trees is in accordance with this chapter.

(2) Crippled, deformed, and physically damaged trees shall be removed and replaced, if the city arborist or the city's third party contractor opines that recovery and normal development cannot be expected;

(3) Infected with an incurable disease that will result in either: i) deformation, ii) death, or iii) infection of other trees; or

(4) Determined to present a potential for endangering life or property because of its condition or location.

(5) The tree is diseased, dead or dying;

(6) The tree is damaged or injured to the extent that it is likely to die or become diseased, or such that it constitutes a hazard;

(7) Removal of the tree is consistent with good forestry practices, that is, consideration is given to the species of the tree, location, conditions, age, safety, historic and aesthetic value of the tree to be removed; or

(8) Reasonable efforts have been undertaken in the architectural layout and design of a private improvement or development to minimize tree removal.

(9) Any tree authorized for removal by the Public Works Superintendent that is not on the Prohibited Trees List and is in good condition, as determined by the City Arborist, shall be replaced by a tree identified on the Preferred Species List. The applicant shall incur all costs to remove and replace the tree. All replacement trees shall be located appropriately as confirmed by the City Arborist and as approved by the Public Works Superintendent.

If the property where a removal has taken place does not have adequate space to plant a replacement tree, then the Applicant shall be required to pay the city a dollar amount equal to the cost of purchasing and planting a new tree at an alternative location on city property.

(C) It shall be unlawful for any person, contractor, or firm to perform any of the following acts without first obtaining from the Building Department, after approval by the Public Works Superintendent, a permit, for which no fee shall be charged and nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt any person from the requirements of obtaining any additional permits as are required by law:

(1) Plant on city owned property or treat, prune, remove or otherwise disturb any tree, shrub or other plant located on city owned property, except that this provision shall not be construed to prohibit owners of property adjacent to city owned property from watering or fertilizing, without a permit, any tree, shrub or other plant located on such city owned property;

(2) Trim, prune or remove any tree or portions thereof. Specifically, a permit shall be required to be obtained from the city prior to removal of any tree whether located on public or private property;

(3) Place on city owned property, either above or below ground level, a permanent container for trees, shrubs or other plants;

(4) Damage, cut, tap, carve or transplant any tree, shrub or other plant;

(5) Attach any rope, wire, nail, sign, poster or any other human-made object to any tree, shrub or other plant located on city owned property;

(6) Dig a tunnel or trench on city-owned property;

(7) Place, maintain or allow to be placed upon a parkway or median any asphalt, cement, stone, lumber or other substance. In determining whether to grant such a permit, the Public Works Superintendent shall consider the nature of the substance, the quality of the substance, the length of time during which the substance will remain on the parkway or median its effect on trees, shrubs and other plant material on the parkway or median, the purpose of placing or maintaining the substance on the parkway or median and the alternatives that may be available to the applicant; and

(D) Any permitted removal of a tree must be consistent with good forestry practices, that is, with consideration to the species of the tree, location, conditions, age, safety, and the historic and aesthetic value of the tree to be removed. The City may, at the discretion of the Public Works Superintendent, incentive the retention of historic and/or legacy trees on private property.

§ 98.005007 ARBORIST TO PERFORM WORK ON TREES

Any person, contractor, or firm in the occupation or business of consulting, interacting, or in any way impacting trees on city property must be a certified arborist or must have a certified arborist on staff in order to undertake any activity on trees, including but not limited to pruning, planting, treating, or removing any tree. It shall be unlawful for any person, contractor, or firm, other than City staff, to engage in such work unless said party first applies for and procures a license from the City. This license shall be in addition to any other license required by this code. The license fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) annually in advance; provided, however, that no license shall be required of any City employee doing such work on behalf of the village. Before any license shall be issued, each applicant shall first file evidence of possession of liability insurance in the minimum amounts of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for bodily injury to any person or party injured, and two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for property damage resulting from the pursuit of such endeavors, as herein described, and such insurance policies shall name the City of Blue Island as an additional insured. In addition, the applicant must show proof of adequate workman's compensation insurance as customarily required for such endeavors or at such minimums as provided by statute.

REQUIRED AND PROHIBITED ACTIONS

§ 98.006 ~~20~~ PROTECTION OF TREES DURING BUILDING OPERATIONS; REMOVAL OF PROTECTIVE DEVICE.

(A) *Protection of trees during building operations.* Unless otherwise authorized by the Public Works Superintendent, no soil is to be removed or added within the critical root zone area of any tree. Unless otherwise authorized by the Public Works Superintendent, no construction activity,

movement and/or placement of equipment, vehicles, material, spoils, excess soil, additional fill, liquids, or construction debris shall be placed within the critical root zone. During the erection, alteration, repair, demolition or removal of any building or structure, or excavation in connection therewith, the owner of the affected property shall place or cause to be placed around each nearby public tree protective fencing sufficient to prevent injury to the trunk, crown and root system of each such tree. Appropriate protective fencing shall be temporarily installed at the periphery of the tree's critical root zone. All fencing must be secured to metal posts driven into the ground no further than ten feet apart. The entire parkway must be fenced and maintained for the period of the construction.

No fencing may be installed without permission from the Public Works Superintendent or the Building Department based on best practices or the advice of the City Arborist, who shall first determine that the devices will not injure the tree.. Such permission shall specify the manner of erecting or installing protective fencing.

(B) *Removal of protective fencing.* No person shall remove any permitted fencing intended for the support or protection of a public tree without a permit issued by the Building Department.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.007 ~~021~~ PRUNING CORNER CLEARANCE.

(A) The owner of any tree overhanging any corner or right-of-way within the city shall prune the branches so that such branches will not obstruct the light from any street lamp or obstruct the view of any street intersection and so that there shall be a clear space of eight feet above the surface of the street or sidewalk.

(B) (1) Said owners shall remove all dead, diseased or dangerous trees or broken or decayed limbs which constitute a hazard to the safety of the public.

(2) The city shall have the right to prune any tree or shrub on private property when it interferes with the proper spread of light along the street from a street light or interferes with visibility of any traffic-control device or sign.

(3) Prior to entry onto private property, the city shall provide notice to the owner to prune the tree or shrub within a specified time period or the City will provide the service at the homeowner's cost.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.008 ~~022~~ SPACING.

No trees on City property may be planted closer together than the following: small trees twenty (20) feet; medium trees thirty (30) feet; and large trees forty (40) feet; except in special plantings

approved by the Public Works Superintendent. The designation of small, medium, and large trees is defined in the Preferred Species List located in the Urban Forest Management Plan.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.009 023-DISTANCE FROM STREET CORNERS AND FIRE PLUGS.

No tree shall be planted within twenty-five (25) feet of any street corner, measured from the point of nearest intersection curbs or curb lines. No tree shall be planted closer than ten (10) feet from any fireplug.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.010 025 UTILITIES.

Only small street trees may be planted under or within ten lateral feet of any overhead utility wire or over or within five lateral feet of any underground water line, sewer line, transmission line or other utility.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.011 026 REMOVAL OF STUMPS.

All stumps of street and park trees shall be removed below the surface of the ground so that the top of the stump shall not project above the surface of the ground. This requirement shall also apply on private property if said tree had an infectious disease.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.012 027 TREE TOPPING.

(A) It shall be unlawful as a normal practice for any person, firm or city department to top any street tree, park tree or other tree on public property.

(B) Topping is defined as the severe cutting back of limbs to stubs larger than one inch in diameter within the tree's crown to such a degree so as to remove the normal canopy and disfigure the tree.

(C) Trees severely damaged by storms or other causes or causes or certain trees under utility wires or other obstructions where other pruning practices are impractical may be exempted from this section at the determination of the Public Works Superintendent.

Penalty, see § 98.064

§ 98.013 028 STREET TREE SPECIES APPROVED.

No species, other than those included in the list of Preferred Species List located in the Urban Forest Management Plan may be planted as street trees without written permission of the Superintendent of Public Works. All trees shall be selected from Certified Nurseries and in accordance the most recent edition of the American Standards for Nursery Stock (ANSI Z60.1).

§ 98.014 PROHIBITED TREES.

The following trees are prohibited and shall not be planted on City property due to commonly acknowledged high maintenance and undesirable characteristics (such as, but not limited to, brittle wood, cavity prone, excessive deadwood, susceptibility to disease) associated therewith:

Latin Name	Common Name or Type
Acer campestre	Hedge maple
Acer negundo	Box elder
Acer saccharinum	Silver maple
Ailanthus glandulosa	Tree of heaven
Ginkgo biloba (female)	Ginkgo
Morus - all species	Mulberry
Populus - all species 1/	Poplars
Pyrus calleryana cultivars	Callery pear
Salix - all species	Willows
Ulmus americana 2/	American elm
Ulmus pumila	Siberian elm
Fraxinus	Ash
	All types of fruit trees producing fruit typically for human consumption

PUBLIC NUISANCES

§ 98.060 DEFINITION.

The following are hereby declared **PUBLIC NUISANCES** under this chapter:

- (A) Any dead or dying tree, shrub or other plant, whether located on city owned property or on private property;
- (B) Any tree, shrub or other plant, or portion thereof, whether located on city owned property or on private property, which by reason of location or condition constitutes an imminent danger to the health, safety or welfare of the general public;

(C) Any tree, shrub or other plant, or portion thereof, whether located on city owned property or on private property which obstructs the free passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic or which obstructs a street sign on city property; and

(D) Any tree shrub or other plant, or portion thereof, whether located on city owned property or on private property which dangerously obstructs the view as such may be determined by the Public Works Superintendent pursuant to this subchapter.

§ 98.061 RIGHT TO INSPECT.

The Building Commissioner and Public Works Superintendent or designated city employee of the city have the authority to enter onto private property whereon there is located a tree, shrub, plant or plant part that is suspected to be a public nuisance.

§ 98.062 ABATEMENT.

The following are the prescribed means of abating public nuisances under this subchapter:

(A) Any public nuisance under this chapter which is located on city owned property adjacent to privately owned property shall be pruned, removed or otherwise treated by the property owner, or his or her agent, in whatever fashion is required to cause the abatement of the nuisance within 30 days after its notification:

(B) Any public nuisance under this subchapter which is located on private owned property shall be pruned, removed or otherwise treated by the property owner, or his or her agent, in whatever fashion is required to cause the abatement of the nuisance. No property owner may be found guilty of violating this provision unless and until the following requirements of notice have been satisfied.

(1) The Superintendent of Public Works shall cause a written notice to be personally served or sent, by registered mail, to the person to whom was sent the tax bill for the general taxes for the last preceding year.

(2) Such notice shall describe the kind of tree, shrub or other nuisance, its location on the property and the reason for declaring it a nuisance.

(3) Such notice shall describe, by legal description or by common description, the premises.

(4) Such notice shall state the actions that the property owner may undertake to abate the nuisance.

(5) Such notice will require the elimination of the nuisance no less than 30 days after the notice is delivered or sent to the person to whom was sent the tax bill for the general taxes for the last preceding year.

(C) In the event that the nuisance is not abated within thirty (30) days following receipt of notice by the property owner or within any further time period allowed, the Public Works Superintendent or designee is authorized to cause the abatement of said nuisance, and the reasonable cost of such abatement to be billed to the property owner and completely paid by the property owner. If the property owner fails to timely pay, the Public Works Superintendent or designee, is hereby authorized to file the reasonable cost of such abatement as a lien against the property on which the nuisance was located, and the property owner of the property upon which the nuisance is located shall be subject to prosecution as provided in this chapter.

(D) The Superintendent of Public Works is empowered to seek the immediate abatement of any public nuisance provided that the nuisance is determined by the Superintendent of Public Works to be an immediate threat to any person or property.

(E) The Superintendent of Public Works or designee is hereby empowered to seek from any court of competent jurisdiction an order directing the immediate abatement of any public nuisance under this chapter.

§ 98.063 EMERGENCY TREE SERVICES.

The city or its contractor with prior verbal authorization from the city, have the right to perform emergency tree services on city property or on private property in the event of any disaster or such occurrence that constitutes an immediate hazard to person, property, or any safety issues.

98.064 VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

Any person, contractor, or firm who violates any provision of this chapter or who fails to comply with any written notice issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, upon being found guilty of violation, shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), nor more than seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00) for each separate offense.

If, as the result of the violation of any provision of this chapter, the injury, mutilation, or death of a tree on City property is caused, the cost of repair or replacement of such shall be borne by the person, contractor, or firm found in violation thereof. The replacement value of a tree shall be determined in accordance with the latest version of A Guide to the Professional Evaluation of Landscape Trees, Specimen Shrubs and Evergreens, as published by the International Society of Arboriculture, and shall be payable to the city within thirty (30) days of the issuance of a decision.

It is required that tree replacement species come from the Preferred Species List. The Preferred Species List is provided in the Urban Forest Management Plan.

§ 98.065 005 APPEALS OF DECISIONS.

Should any person or entity dispute in whole or in part, any decision of the Public Works Superintendent made pursuant to the terms of this chapter, he or she may appeal the decision

within 30 days to the City Administrator. The decision of the City Administrator shall be binding upon the person making the appeal and the Public Works Superintendent.

URBAN FORESTRY BOARD

§ 98.075 ESTABLISHMENT.

The City Urban Forestry Board (hereinafter "Forestry Board") is hereby established. Its functions and duties are limited to those set forth in this chapter.

§ 98.076 COMPOSITION.

The Forestry Board shall be composed of five Commissioners. Five Commissioners shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. These five Commissioners shall serve without pay and shall reside within the corporate limits of the city. Any additional Commissioners shall be ex officio and shall not vote.

§ 98.077 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS.

Two of the five Commissioners initially appointed to the Forestry Board shall serve for a term of one year and three of the five Commissioners initially appointed shall serve for a term of three years. The terms shall start on a common date. The Mayor shall designate the Chairperson of the Forestry Board.

§ 98.078 EXPIRATION OR VACATION OF TERMS.

Within 30 days following the expiration of the term of any appointed Commissioner, a successor shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council and the successor shall serve for a term of three years.

Should any Commissioner resign or be removed from the Forestry Board, a successor shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council and shall serve for the unexpired period of the vacated term. A member of the Forestry Board may be removed by the Mayor with the approval of a majority of the City Council.

§ 98.079 DUTIES.

Members of the Urban Forestry Board shall act in an advisory role. The Public Works Superintendent shall serve without compensation as a liaison between the Urban Forestry Board and the City Council to promote and preserve trees in the village.

Section 4. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 5. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

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ADOPTED this 26th day of SEPTEMBER, 2023, pursuant to roll call as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman JOHNSON	X				
Alderman FAHRENWALD	X				
Alderman RITA	X				
Alderman MONTOYA	X				
Alderman MCGEE	X				
Alderman CARR	X				
Alderman ROLL	X				
Mayor BILOTTO					
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APPROVED by the Mayor on SEPTEMBER 26, 2023.

FRED BILOTTO
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this
26TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2023.

RAEANN CANELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this
26TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2023.

RAEANN CANELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATE

I, RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Blue Island of Cook County, Illinois.

I further certify that on **September 26, 2023**, the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. **2023-039**.

Entitled:

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Which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. **2023 - 039** including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance posted in the municipal building commencing on **September 26, 2023**, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Blue Island, Illinois, this **26th** day of **September, 2023**.

CORPORATE SEAL


CITY CLERK



STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF COOK)

ss.

CERTIFICATION

I, RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I am the duly elected City Clerk of the City of Blue Island, Illinois, as such City Clerk, I am the keeper of the minutes and records of the Proceedings of the City Council of the said City and have in my custody the ORDINANCE and BOOKS of the records of said City.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the certain **2023 - 039** Entitled: **ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE IX ("GENERAL REGULATIONS"), CHAPTER 98 ("TREES") OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-039 which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island, Illinois held on the **26th day of September, 2023**; that at said meeting **7** Alderman were present; that at said meeting, on motion duly made and seconded that the Ordinance did pass and on the roll being called the vote of each Aldermen present on the question of the passage of said Ordinance was duly and separately taken by Ayes and Nays and their names and votes recorded in the minutes of **7** Alderman voted Aye and **0** Alderman voted Nay and **0** Alderman voted Abstain and **0** Alderman Absent.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the original Ordinance which the foregoing is a true copy, is entrusted to my care for safe keeping, and that I am the lawful keeper of the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the City of Blue Island aforesaid, at the said City in the County and State aforesaid, this **26th day of September, 2023**.

CORPORATE SEAL



City Clerk

