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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to tree planting abutting private residential property owned by a senior citizen or disabled person.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 18 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 18-142 to read as follows:

§18-142 Tree planting on sidewalks abutting property owned by a senior citizen or disabled person. a. Except as provided herein, prior to the planting of a tree under the jurisdiction of the department on a sidewalk abutting a one-family, two-family or three-family dwelling, owned by at least one person sixty-five years of age or over who qualifies for a real property tax exemption pursuant to section 11-245.3 of the administrative code or by at least one person who has a disability and qualifies for a real property tax exemption pursuant to section 11-245.4 of the administrative code, the department shall provide written notification by regular mail or by personal delivery to the owner of such dwelling of its intention to plant a tree at such location.

b. Such notice pursuant to subdivision a of this section shall provide the owner with the opportunity to reply to the notice and accept or reject the intended tree planting at such location. The department shall not plant a tree at the location identified in such notice unless the owner of the dwelling abutting such location has accepted the planting or has not responded to such notice within thirty days from the date of such notice.

§2. This local law shall take effect ninety days after its enactment.

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