A By-law to allow for the inspection of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and other alien forest pests on both public and private property.

WHEREAS the presence of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and other alien forest pests threatens the City’s urban forest and has wide implications for biodiversity, ecosystem health, human health, natural resources, industries and international trade; and

WHEREAS early detection will minimize the cost of a wide-spread eradication program and increase the potential for ultimate eradication of any outbreaks which occur in the City; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to inspect for the presence of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and other alien forest pests on both public and private property;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. That City Forestry Staff be authorized to inspect for the presence of Asian Long-Horned Beetle and other alien forest pests and to remove infested trees, on all public and private property, with the consent of the property owner.

2. That City Forestry staff be authorized to enter upon private property to inspect for the presence of Asian Long-Horned Beetles and other alien pests and to remove infested trees.

3. That section 2 shall come into effect upon City Forestry staff being designated as Inspectors by the President of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency in accordance with section 21 of the Plant Protection Act, S.C. 1990, c. 22 and section 13 of the Canadian Food Inspection Act, S.C. 1997, c.6.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 11th day of May, A.D. 2000.

CASE OOTES, NOVINA WONG,
Deputy Mayor City Clerk

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