

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-17-F

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF PROVIDING FOR
CONTROL OF BLIGHT AND DISEASE OF SHADE TREES**

WHEREAS, it is necessary that work be authorized for the purpose of controlling blight and disease of shade trees within public rights of way and for planting, maintaining (including leaf collection), trimming and removing shade trees in and along the streets of the Village of Greenhills during the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Manager has recommended to Council the planting, maintaining, trimming and removal of shade trees in and along the streets of the Village during the years of 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024; and in accordance with plans, estimates and schedules therefore, heretofore prepared by the Municipal Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Greenhills does not have the necessary funds to implement the shade tree program; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 727 of the Ohio Revised Code provides for such tree maintenance and planting and the levying of an assessment therefore on; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Greenhills has previously established the Greenhills Forestry District to assess a portion of the costs associated with its shade tree program and without the assessment the Village does not have the necessary funds to implement the shade tree program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENHILLS, THAT:

Section 1: Nature and Location of Improvement. It is hereby determined and declared necessary and conducive to the public health, safety and welfare to control the blight and disease of shade trees within public rights of way and for planting, maintaining, trimming and removing shade trees in and along the streets of the Village during the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024. That for such purpose, there is hereby created and established a single district known as the “2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Greenhills Forestry District” which district shall include all territory within the boundaries of and be coextensive with the Village of Greenhills, pursuant to the provisions of Section 727.011, Ohio Revised Code.

Section 2: Plans on File. The work of such planting, maintaining (including leaf collection), trimming and removing of shade trees in and along the streets of the Village shall be done within the 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019,

2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Greenhills Forestry District in accordance with said plans, estimates and schedules now on file in the office of said Municipal Manager which plans, estimates and schedules are available for inspection in said office; and said Municipal Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed to purchase required materials, to purchase or rent the necessary tools, machinery and appliances and to employ the necessary labor to do said work, all in accordance with said plans, estimates and schedules. The present estimated cost of said work is \$75,000, annually.

Section 3: Costs. The cost of controlling the blight and disease of shade trees within public rights of way by planting, maintaining, trimming and removing shade trees in and along the streets of the Village of Greenhills shall be specifically assessed by the foot front upon all lots and lands bounding and abutting upon each of the streets within the, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 Greenhills Forestry District in the amount of fifty cents (\$0.50) per front foot as provided by Section 727.011, Ohio Revised Code, which said lots and lands and hereby determined to be specifically benefited by said work in the amount specially assessed against each such lot and corner lot. Lots having frontage on more than one side including corners shall be computed at 75% of total lot frontage.

The maximum assessment per single-family residence shall not exceed \$60, annually.

Section 4: Mode of Payment. Said assessments shall be paid in one (1) annual installment, and they shall be certified by the Village of Greenhills Finance Director to the Hamilton County, Ohio Auditor for collection at the same time and in the same manner as real property taxes due and payable in December, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 are collected.

Section 5: Notes Authorized. Notes of the Village of Greenhills may be issued in anticipation of the levy and collection of said special assessments.

Section 6: Cost Estimate. The Municipal Manager be and is hereby authorized to prepare an estimated assessment of the cost and expense of said shade tree program for inclusion in the Hamilton County, Ohio Tax List for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 and incorporation in the December 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 real estate property tax bills based on the front foot assessment method at fifty cents (\$0.50) per front foot as set forth in this Resolution.

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Section 7: Authority is hereby granted to publish notice of this resolution according to Section 727.14 Ohio Revised Code by posting the same in the usual posting places and by causing an advertisement to be placed in a newspaper of general circulation in Greenhills.

Section 8: This resolution shall be in full force and take effect from and after its passage.

Passed this 22nd day of July, 2014.

Glenn Drees, VICE MAYOR /s/

Kathryn L. Lives, CLERK OF COUNCIL /s/