

MEMO

To: Sheryl Mitchell Theriot, City Administrator
Fr: Rami Sweidan, Code Enforcement
Da: August 12, 2021
Re: **Tree Program**

Purpose

The purpose for Lathrup Village to start a tree trimming program helps keep trees healthy and safe. Lathrup Village started a tree program that will commence in August and take place every Thursday.

Goal

The goal for the tree program to take effect in August to minimize calls to the city, and to have residents have a peace of mind that all trees in the city will be trimmed and dead trees cut down. With this program our goal is to have all trees in the city trimmed within the 3-year cycle.

Residents will start to see DPS employees' trim trees by going thru each street at a time making sure all trees are pruned up to 12 feet. DPS will trim trees and place the branches on the right of way for the chippers to pick up on Friday. DPS will work in zones to trim trees, so please be patient and we will get to your area soon.

Objective

The objective for this program due to receiving many calls on tree branches falling, and dead large branches that are a safety hazard. Our intention is to make our residents have a piece of mind and have a walkability neighborhood that is safe.

Overview

DPS employees will schedule with a tree service company to trim trees above 12 feet, and any dead tree that needs to be cut down. DPS do not have the capability or the equipment to cut down trees, for this reason cutting trees down will be outsourced.

Cost is a major factor for this project, the reason LV is using DPS employees to manage pruning trees. The budget for cutting down dead trees is the reason for taking this route.