	Yolanda Ho LEG Tree Service Provider Registration Amendment ORD D1c – for Land Use Committee discussion on December 8, 2022				
1	CITY OF SEATTLE				
2	ORDINANCE				
3	COUNCIL BILL				
4 5 6 7 8 9	 title AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and urban forestry; amending requirements for registered tree service providers; amending Sections 25.11.020 and 25.11.095 of the Seattle Municipal Code. body BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS: 				
10	Section 1. Section 25.11.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance				
11	126554, is amended as follows:				
12	"Commercial tree work" means any of the following actions conducted within the City of				
13	Seattle in exchange for financial compensation: major pruning ((as defined in Section				
14	$\frac{15.02.046}{1}$); removal of trees larger than 6 inches DBH; and the assessment of the health or				
15	hazard risk of trees larger than 6 inches DBH. ((Normal)) "Commercial tree work" does not				
16	mean normal and routine pruning operations that do not meet the definition of major pruning				
17	((are not commercial tree work)); maintenance and removal of hedges; or maintenance of fruit				
18	trees that are cultivated for fruit production.				
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20	"Hedge" means a line of closely-spaced trees and/or shrubs intentionally planted and/or				
21	maintained along a property boundary or landscape border for privacy, screening, safety, or				
22	similar function, which typically requires ongoing pruning or shearing to maintain its intended				
23	function and/or reasonable use of nearby developed areas.				
24	"Inner root zone" means an area encircling the base of a tree equal to one-half $(1/2)$ the				
25	diameter of the drip line.				

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1	"Pruning, major" means removal of branches 4 inches in diameter or greater; removal of						
2	roots 2 inches in diameter or greater; or removal of branches constituting more than 25 percent of						
3	a tree's foliage-bearing area.						
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5	Section 2. Section 25.11.095 of the Seattle Municipal Code, added by Ordinance 126554,						
6	is amended as follows:						
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8	C. Tree service provider activities						
9	1. ((A registered tree service provider shall comply with the following public						
10	notice requirements prior to conducting commercial tree work that involves major pruning or						
11	removal of trees larger than 6 inches DBH:						
12	a. Provide the registered tree service provider's hiring entity with a notice						
13	that the hiring entity must post in a safe location at or adjacent to the commercial tree work site						
14	in a manner clearly visible from the public right-of-way at least three business days in advance of						
15	the commercial tree work.						
16	b. The notice shall:						
17	1) Include a brief description of the commercial tree work the						
18	registered tree service provider will be conducting that exceeds normal and routine pruning						
19	operations and maintenance or that involves removal of any trees 6 inches or greater diameter at						
20	breast height and identifies whether said tree meets the City's definition of exceptional;						
21	2) Provide a copy of the tree service provider's registration; and						
22	3) Indicate whether a permit is required for the commercial tree						
23	work. If a permit is required, provide a copy of the permit.)) Commercial vehicles, as defined by						
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2 <u>name of the tree service provider</u>, business phone number, and City-issued tree service provider

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3 <u>registration number.</u>

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1	Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by						
2	the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it						
3	shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.						
4	Passed by the City Council the	day	of	,	2022,		
5	and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this day of						
6	, 2022.						
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8		Presiden	t	_ of the City Counc	il		
9	Approved / returned unsigned /	vetoed thi	sday of		_, 2022.		
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11		Bruce A.	Harrell, Mayor	r			
12	Filed by me this day of _			, 2022.			
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14		Elizabeti	n M. Adkisson,	Interim City Clerk			
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