



CITY OF BOSTON • MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
THOMAS M. MENINO

October 5, 2010

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$85,380.00 in the form of reimbursements from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation [DCR] to eradicate the Asian Longhorned Beetle from the effected neighborhoods of the City of Boston over the next three years.

In July of 2010, the Asian Longhorned Beetle was detected in the Jamaica Plain section of Boston. This insect poses a serious threat to many species of deciduous hardwood trees. The United States USDA Department of Agriculture has required DCR to order an immediate segregation and collection of yard waste from the regulated area surrounding Jamaica Plain and sections of West Roxbury in order to suppress and control the beetle. DCR will compensate the City of Boston Public Works Department for the costs associated with the collection and processing of yard waste for a 12 week period in the regulated area, from July 19, 2010 thru December 3, 2010.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept and expend the funds expeditiously for the purpose for which these funds are requested.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Menino
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO EXPEND FUNDS
FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE
COLLECTION AND PROCESSING OF YARD WASTE**

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the City of Boston Public Works Department, Waste Reduction Division, to pay for yard waste collection and processing in the Asian Longhorned Beetle Regulated Area surrounding the Jamaica Plain section of Boston; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of \$85,380.00 will be utilized by the City of Boston to fund yard waste collection and processing in the regulated area to suppress and control the Asian Longhorned Beetle for a 12 week period, it is hereby

ORDERED: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is, authorized to accept and expend, upon receipt from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, funds not to exceed the amount of \$85,380.00.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT
THE FOREGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**



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