RESOLUTION R 19-14

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING INTENT TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THE SUBURBAN TREE CONSORTIUM AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PURCHASES FOR FY2014

WHEREAS, the Village of Lombard has heretofore joined the cooperative known as the Suburban Tree Consortium; and

WHEREAS, the Suburban Tree Consortium was created to jointly purchase parkway trees on behalf of a number of municipalities in an effort to realize cost savings and insure a reasonable supply and variety of suitable parkway trees; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 65 of ILCS 5/11-73.1-1 entitled "Municipal and Joint Municipal Tree Planting Programs", authorizes municipalities to jointly enter into long term contracts for the purchase and delivery of trees; and

WHEREAS, due to the nature of the nursery industry and the plant materials desired by the Suburban Tree Consortium, assuring a reasonable number and variety of parkway trees at the best price is possible only with a multi-year commitment on the part of the Consortium Members, so as to allow adequate planning by the Consortium and the Nurseries/Suppliers; and

WHEREAS, the Suburban Tree Consortium member municipalities provide the Nurseries/Suppliers a projection of their parkway tree requirements for the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the Suburban Tree Consortium can realize the necessary number and variety and the best price of such parkway trees only by providing assurance to the tree Nursery/Supplier of the level of interest by the Consortium Members; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Lombard, DuPage, Illinois, as follows:

- 1. The Village does hereby express its intent to remain a member of the Suburban Tree Consortium and to procure parkway trees through the Consortium, subject to sufficient annual budgeting therefor for the five year period. A summary of the anticipated 5-year order is attached.
- 2. All ordinances and resolution or parts of ordinances and resolutions, in conflict with this resolution are hereby rescinded.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Suburban Tree Consortium Secretariat at the West central Municipal Conference Office.

Adopted this 17th day of April, 2014.

Ayes: Trustee Fugiel, Foltyniewicz, Breen, Fitzpatrick and Ware

Nays: None

Absent: Whittington

Approved this 17th day of April, 2014.

Keith T. Giagnorio Village President

ATTEST:

Janet Downer

Deputy Village Clerk