

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 23, 2023

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Emerald Ash Borer beetle sighted in southeastern Dallas**

City of Dallas staff was notified by Texas A&M Forestry Service (TFS) that an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) specimen was found near Dowdy Ferry and IH20. City staff assessed the site immediately after receiving the notice from TFS. Observations of the canopy (leaf predation, folding and discoloration) are indicative of damage caused by the EAB beetle.

City staff will continue to work with the TFS in monitoring the EAB traps that are in place as well as the tree conditions in these strategic corridors. Staff will continue to inventory and treat significant ash trees.

The public may visit the City's Forestry website at dallascityhall.com/forestry to learn more about EAB.

Please contact me at 214-671-9735 with questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carl P. Simpson'.

Carl P. Simpson
Assistant City Manager

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