



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

April 7, 2015

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager
Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront
Subject: Donation: Berkeley Partners For Parks for Tree Plantings

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution accepting a cash donation in the amount of \$1,860 from Berkeley Partners For Parks for the purchase and planting of City trees.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The donated funds will be deposited into account 450-5802-347.42-01 and will be used to purchase and planting of City trees. These funds will be appropriated as part of the Second Amendment to the FY 2015 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In 2014, the Healthy Berkeley Parks Committee formed to advocate for the passage of Measure F to increase the current Parks Tax in Berkeley in order to perform much needed major maintenance at City parks and parks facilities. After the measure was approved by Berkeley voters, the Committee donated their surplus funds to the non-profit organization Berkeley Partners For Parks, which will now donate the funds to the City in order to fund the purchase and planting of new City trees.

BACKGROUND

The City's Open Governance Ordinance (OGO) requires City Council approval of any gift to the City in excess of \$1,000 (BMC Section 2.06.150, Ord. 7,166-N.S.)

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Section D.2 in chapter 3 of the City's Climate Action Plan seeks to promote tree planting, landscaping, and the creation of green and open space that is safe and attractive and that helps to restore natural processes with significant environmental benefits in the form of carbon dioxide absorption and oxygen production as well as storm water retention, and climate control. This donation contributes directly to the growth of the City's urban forest.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:
1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. -N.S.

DONATION: BERKELEY PARTNERS FOR PARKS FOR TREE PLANTINGS

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Healthy Berkeley Parks Committee formed to advocate for the passage of Measure F to increase the current Parks Tax in Berkeley in order to perform much needed major maintenance at City parks and parks facilities; and

WHEREAS, after the measure was approved by Berkeley voters, the Committee donated their surplus funds to the non-profit organization Berkeley Partners For Parks, which will now donate the funds to the City in order to fund the purchase and planting of new City trees; and

WHEREAS, the City's Open Governance Ordinance (OGO) requires City Council approval of any gift to the City in excess of \$1,000 (BMC Section 2.06.150, Ord. 7,166-N.S.); and

WHEREAS, the cash donation will be deposited into the Parks Fund revenue budget code 450-5802-347.42-01 and appropriated as part of the Second Amendment to the FY 2015 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that a cash donation in the amount of \$1,860 from Berkeley Partners For Parks for the purchase and planting of City trees is hereby accepted.