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## Donation Acceptance

*Waterwise Landscape Project at the  
Janet Goeske Center*

*Board of Public Utilities*

*October 24, 2016*

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## History

- **September 22, 2015** – City Council Authorized a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 for landscape demonstration projects to the 521 water conservation fund.
- **On August 22, 2016** - the Board of Public Utilities approved the Demonstration Garden project at the Janet Goeske Center and awarded the Design-Build Agreement to R.B. Development.
- **October 24, 2016** – staff is requesting the consideration of the Board of Utilities in accepting donations for this project.

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## Selected Site



### Janet Goeske Center

*Streeter Park Turf Conversion and Demonstration Garden*

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## Selected Site

*Riverside Public Utilities, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCSD)*

### ***Demonstration Garden at the Janet Goeske Center***

1. Built for conservation education
2. Meet the new Water Efficiency Landscape Ordinance (WELO)
3. *Less Water More Color*
4. Variety of different types of water efficient landscaping
5. Centrally located

Save nearly **1.5 million** gallons of water annually

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## Goeske Site



## Partnerships

RPU staff has been working with two partners to reduce the project expenditures:

### The Toro Company

1. WBIC
2. HE Nozzles
3. Drip
4. Valves
5. Technical Assistance



**Audubon International** - Sustainable Communities Program  
\$2,500 Grant



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## Recommendations

**That the Board of Public Utilities approve and recommend that the City Council:**

1. Accept the donation of high efficiency irrigation materials from the Toro Company in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for use in constructing the demonstration garden at Streeter Park (Janet Goeske Center); and
2. Accept a grant in the amount \$2,500 from Audubon International Sustainable Communities Program for the demonstration garden at Streeter Park (Janet Goeske Center); and
3. Appropriate the funds in the amount of \$2,500 for the demonstration garden project in accounts established by City Finance.

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