



Donation Acceptance Janet Goeske Center Demonstration Project

Public Utilities

City Council
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BACKGROUND

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. October 24, 2016 – Board of Utilities unanimously approved accepting donations for this project.



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DISCUSSION

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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DISCUSSION- SITE



Janet Goeske Center
Streeter Park Turf Conversion and Demonstration Garden



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DISCUSSION- PROPOSED DESIGN



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DISCUSSION- PARTNERSHIP

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

1. The Toro Company

- a. WBIC
- b. HE Nozzles
- c. Drip
- d. Valves
- e. Technical Assistance



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



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RECOMMENDATIONS

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);
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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