


**MEMORANDUM
CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG**

City Council Meeting of January 4, 2024

TO: The Honorable Deborah Figgs-Sanders, Chair, and Members of City Council

FROM: Chris Ballestra, Managing Director, City Development Administration 

SUBJECT: A Resolution recognizing a donation in the amount of \$83,500 from the Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation, Inc. to fund the design, construction and installation of animal enclosures in the new animal care center; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$83,500 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207), resulting from the above donation, to the Enterprise Facilities Department, Sunken Gardens Division (282-2461); and providing an effective date.

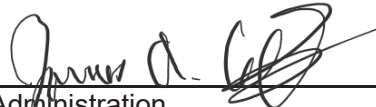
EXPLANATION: The City is constructing a new state-of-the-art animal care center at Sunken Gardens, expected to open in Spring 2024. While the Gardens has some furnishings to place in the new facility, new floor-to-ceiling, USDA-approved enclosures will be needed to house the current parrot collection (macaws, cockatoos and Amazons) as well as new animal acquisitions. These enclosures were not included in the scope of the CIP project currently underway. The Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation generously voted to fund the design, construction and installation of these enclosures.

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends City Council approve a resolution recognizing a donation in the amount of \$83,500 from Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation, Inc. to fund the design, construction and installation of animal enclosures in the new animal care center; approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$83,500 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207), resulting from the above donation, to the Enterprise Facilities Department, Sunken Gardens Division (282-2461); and providing an effective date.

COST/FUNDING INFORMATION: Revenues in the amount of \$83,500 will be received from the Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation, Inc. and deposited into the Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207). Funds will be available after approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$83,500 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207), resulting from the above donation, to the Sunken Gardens Division (282-2461).

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution

APPROVALS:


Administration


Budget

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-_____

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,500 FROM THE SUNKEN GARDENS FOREVER FOUNDATION, INC. TO FUND THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF ANIMAL ENCLOSURES IN THE NEW ANIMAL CARE CENTER; APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,500 FROM THE INCREASE IN THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF SUNKEN GARDENS OPERATING FUND (1207), RESULTING FROM THE ABOVE DONATION, TO THE ENTERPRISE FACILITIES DEPARTMENT, SUNKEN GARDENS DIVISION (282-2461); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Sunken Gardens is a historic botanical attraction featuring a collection of tropical birds and other animals; and

WHEREAS, the City is constructing a new animal care facility at Sunken Gardens to care for these animals; and

WHEREAS, the Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation has agreed to donate \$83,500 to fund the design, construction, and installation of new animal enclosures inside the animal care center; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be available after approval of a supplementation appropriation in the amount of \$83,500 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207), resulting from the above donation, to the Enterprise Facilities Department, Sunken Gardens Division (282-2461).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that a donation in the amount of \$83,500 from the Sunken Gardens Forever Foundation to support the design, construction and installation of new bird/animal enclosures is hereby recognized by this Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207), resulting from the donation, the following supplemental appropriation for FY24:

Sunken Gardens Operating Fund (1207)

Enterprise Facilities Department Sunken Gardens
Operations Division (282-2461)

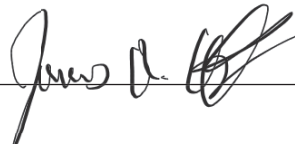
\$83,500

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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Administration:



Budget:

