



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council

STAFF

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 026, 2023, Appropriating Philanthropic Revenue Received Through City Give for The Gardens on Spring Creek for General Operations as Designated by the Donor.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$100,000 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give for The Gardens on Spring Creek for general operations as designated by the donor.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The Gardens on Spring Creek is the community botanic garden of Fort Collins, Colorado. The 18-acre site opened in 2004 and has a history of generous philanthropic community support. Following a two-year, \$6 million expansion project, The Gardens now offers an expanded Visitor's Center and gift shop, Butterfly House, Everitt Pavilion and Great Lawn, along with five acres of new gardens.

The purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$100,000 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give for The Gardens on Spring Creek for general operations as designated by the donor. In a continued investment in capital improvements, The Gardens on Spring Creek secured a \$100,000 philanthropic award from Nutrien designated for exterior capital improvements of the Outdoor Teaching Kitchen. Nutrien's generosity will be acknowledged onsite at The Gardens on Spring Creek via terms and details outlined in a Gift Agreement per City Give policy.

Nutrien is a Canadian fertilizer company and a leading global provider of agricultural products, services, and solutions. Nutrien has offices across Colorado including Nutrien Ag Solutions in Greeley and a corporate campus in Loveland with approximately 3,000 employees.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

This Ordinance will appropriate \$100,000 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give for The Gardens on Spring Creek and expended in the Cultural Services and Facilities Fund. The funds have been received and accepted per the City Give Administrative and Financial Policy.

The City Manager has also determined that these appropriations are available and previously unappropriated from the designated funds and will not cause the total amount appropriated in these funds to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in these funds during fiscal year 2023.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

None.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance for Consideration
2. Rendering of Donor Acknowledgement
3. City Give Gift Agreement