

October 25, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Cincinnati Recreation Commission:
Amending Prior Ordinance No. 0143-2023**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AMENDING Ordinance No. 143-2023 which authorized the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of new trees, boulders, plants, and related landscaping from the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden valued at up to \$25,000 to increase the in-kind donation value to up to \$35,000.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would amend prior Ordinance No. 0143-2023 which authorized the City manager to accept an in-kind donation of new trees, boulders, plants, and related landscaping from the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden valued up to \$25,000 to increase the in-kind donation value to up to \$35,000.

On May 3, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0143-2023, which authorized the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of new trees, boulders, plants, and related landscaping from the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden valued at up to \$25,000, in addition to the services reasonably necessary to install and maintain the donation, for the purpose of the beautification of green space at the Forest and Irving Recreation Area. The Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden has indicated the value of the in-kind donation has increased since the original Ordinance was approved by the City Council.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to authorize the new donation amount before the donation agreement is finalized.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment