

June 4, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Mad Scientist Associates, LLC
Moral Obligation Payment**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING a payment of \$5,679.13 from Cincinnati Parks Department Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 430x202x5100x7278 as a moral obligation to Mad Scientist Associates, LLC for invasive species removal in Burnet Woods for the service period of December 2024.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the payment of \$5,679.13 from Cincinnati Parks Department Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 430x202x5100x7278 as a moral obligation to Mad Scientist Associates, LLC for invasive species removal in Burnet Woods for the service period of December 2024.

In 2020, Cincinnati Parks contracted with Mad Scientist Associates, LLC to perform invasive species removal in Burnet Woods under contract no. 15x0007. The contract was initially executed on November 20, 2020 and expired on November 19, 2024, but additional services were requested and completed in December 2024 which necessitates the moral obligation.

There are sufficient funds in Cincinnati Parks Department Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 430x202x5100x7278 to pay for the services provided by Mad Scientist Associates, LLC.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to pay Mad Scientist Associates, LLC for invasive species removal in Burnet Woods for the service period of December 2024.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachment

