



Legislation Text

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Quality of Life  
**AGENDA DATE:** December 9, 2020  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):** 9  
**DEPARTMENT:** Park & Recreation Department  
**EXECUTIVE:** John D. Jenkins

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**SUBJECT**

Authorize a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. in the amount of \$374,393.00 to provide services and program support within the city of Dallas for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 - Not to exceed \$374,393.00 - Financing: General Fund

**BACKGROUND**

On March 23, 1988, the City entered into a multi-year agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. (DABS), a non-profit organization, to manage and operate the Dallas Arboretum. The agreement was for a twenty-five-year period. The agreement was extended on February 27, 2013 for a ten-year period. The management agreement with DABS does not automatically authorize funding, therefore a separate program funding contract to authorize the stipend payable during the current year is requested. The funds have been identified and appropriated in the City's General Fund by authorization of the City Council, and after the approval by the Park and Recreation Board for the current fiscal year.

This is a recurring annual funding agreement.

The stipend payments will support the following programs and services for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021:

Services to be provided are: operate and maintain the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden for the public, and provide special educational programs, community outreach services and sponsorship of a special summer program for disadvantaged children for 12 months.

**PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

On December 11, 2013, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, by Resolution No. 13-2065.

On November 12, 2014, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, by Resolution No. 14-1906.

On November 10, 2015, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016, by Resolution No. 15-2075.

On December 14, 2016, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017, by Resolution No. 16-1933

On December 13, 2017, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018, by Resolution No. 17-1884.

On December 20, 2018, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, by Resolution No. 18-1821.

On November 18, 2019, City Council authorized a twelve-month funding agreement with the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc. to provide services and programs within the City of Dallas for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, by Resolution No. 19-1787.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
General Fund	\$374,393.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**OWNER**

**Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Society, Inc.**

Mary Brinegar, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Alan Walne, Chairman  
Jim Ryan, Vice Chairman  
John Cabe, Secretary  
Lisa Armstrong, Treasurer