

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 10/28/25 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-0999

LOG NAME: 802020 & 2022 BRIT ICA RESTRUCTURE

SUBJECT

(CD 7) Authorize Amending Two Infrastructure Construction Agreements with the Botanical Research Institute of Texas, Inc. to Provide Greater Flexibility in Project Budgeting and Delivery with No Change to the List of Projects or Overall Funding, Adopt Appropriation Ordinance, and Amend Fiscal Years 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize Amendment No.1 to City Secretary Contract No. 56196, an Infrastructure Construction Agreement with the Botanic Research Institute of Texas, Inc., to restructure the scope of the City of Fort Worth's obligation to construct, maintain, and repair certain public infrastructure within the Fort Worth Botanic Garden;
2. Authorize Amendment No.1 to City Secretary Contract No. 60446, an Infrastructure Construction Agreement with the Botanic Research Institute of Texas, Inc., to restructure the scope of the City of Fort Worth's obligation to construct, maintain, and repair certain public infrastructure within the Fort Worth Botanic Garden;
3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the Tax Note 2020 Fund by increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Botanic Garden Renovation-Rehab project (City Project No. P00110) in the amount of \$12,000.00 and by decreasing the BG South Vista Drainage project (City Project No. 102820) by the same amount; and
4. Amend the Fiscal Year 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor & Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize the restructuring of two Infrastructure Construction Agreements (ICA) with the Botanical Research Institute of Texas, Inc. (BRIT).

On May 19, 2020, the City Council authorized execution of an MSA (City Secretary No.54201) with the BRIT for management of the Botanic Garden (M&C 20-0347). Per this agreement, the City committed to construct, maintain, repair, or relocate certain public infrastructure within the Botanic Garden.

The City entered into ICAs with the BRIT for the delivery of projects outlined in the MSA. The two ICAs being amended are City Secretary Contract No. 56196 (M&C 21-0367, June 8, 2021) and City Secretary Contract No. 60446 (M&C 23-0837, September 26, 2023). It has become necessary to restructure the two ICAs by removing the project and amount specificity to provide flexibility for project selection, management, and prioritization.

The restructured scope for City Secretary Contract No. 56196 will read as follows:

Attachment A
List of Projects (including, but not limited to):

Projects	2020 Tax Notes	CIP	Total Public Funding
Full Moon Bridge, Hill Arbor, Old Garden Road Renovation, Rose Ramp Fountains, Site Amenities (Water Fountain, electrical, etc.), South Vista, Southwest Quadrant Renovation,	\$2,321,441.00	\$226,000.00	\$2,547,441.00

The restructured scope for City Secretary Contract No. 60446 will read as follows:

Attachment A
List of Projects (including, but not limited to):

Projects	2022 Bond Program
Greenhouse Improvements, Infrastructure, Japanese	

Garden, Master Plan, Master Plant Site Preparation, Moncrief Garden Center, Old Garden Road, Pedestrian / Circulation Improvements, Rolling Hills Greenhouse Phase I, South Vista Event Venue	\$7,000,000.00
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These projects will not impact the Park & Recreation Department's annual operating budget when completed.

Approval of Recommendation No. 3 will amend the Fiscal Years 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as approved in connection with Ordinance 27979-09-2025. The restructuring of BRIT appropriations was not anticipated in the CIP.

Funding is budgeted in the General Capital Projects Fund, Tax Note 2020 Fund, and the 2022 Bond Program Fund for the purpose of funding the Botanic Garden Renovation-Rehab projects (P00110) and in the Fort Worth Botanic Gardens project (PB0025) of the Parks & Recreation Department.

The Botanic Garden is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 7.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available within the Tax Note 2020 Fund and in the General Capital Projects Fund for the Botanic Garden Renovation-Rehabilitation project and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the Tax Note 2020 Fund for the Botanic Garden Renovation-Reh project to support the above recommendations and execution of the amendments. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Park & Recreation Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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