CITY OF MERCED



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: <u>Approval of Request to Accept and Appropriate Donated Funds in the Amount of \$237</u> from Fearless Yoga from a Fundraiser Held for Applegate Park Zoo to Purchase Animal <u>Enrichment Supplies</u>

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving a request for acceptance and appropriation in the amount of \$237 from Fearless Yoga Fundraiser in the Contributions and Donations account to the Zoo Supplies account to purchase animal enrichment supplies for Applegate Park Zoo.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion accepting a donation from Fearless Yoga Fundraiser in the amount of \$237 to account 024-1205-360.02-01 (Contributions and Donations); and appropriating the same to account 024-1205-542-.25-00 (Maintenance Materials and Services) to purchase animal enrichment supplies.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,

2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by staff (identify specific findings and/or conditions amended to be addressed in the motion); or,

- 3. Deny; or,
- 4. Refer to staff for consideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in the motion); or,
- 5. Continue to future meeting (date and time to be specified in motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200 and 1105.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2018-19 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

Applegate Park Zoo is a great resource in the community and many individuals and community groups enjoy visiting and want to contribute to make it a better place. The Zoo has a large budget, but it is still not enough to fund many needed upgrades as well as animal habitat and enrichment. Due to this fact, the owners of Fearless Yoga held a fundraiser event to raise money to allow Zookeepers to purchase animal enrichment supplies that are not included in the regular Zoo budget. If this money is accepted and appropriated staff will utilize the money as the donors stipulated, entirely for animal enrichment supplies not already provided for in the budget.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

Accepting and appropriating a donation of \$237 from Fearless Yoga Fundraiser so this additional fund can be used to purchase animal enrichment supplies for the Zoo.