

**THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

**AN ORDINANCE**

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF UP TO \$1,000,000.00 UPON AWARD FROM THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT AS PART OF THE LOCAL PARK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BOTANICAL GARDEN MASTER PLAN IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.**

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**WHEREAS**, the San Antonio Botanical Garden Society has raised approximately \$7 million toward the implementation of the Botanical Garden Master Plan which includes the new Family Adventure Garden, a 2.0-acre outdoor recreation area that will engage all ages in exploration of native plants and the natural world; and

**WHEREAS**, components of the Family Adventure Garden include areas for quiet respite, secret gardens, opportunities to climb, areas for sensory and dramatic play and natural forms that encourage creative free play in a safe outdoor environment rich with native plantings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parks and Recreation Department recommends the City of San Antonio submit a grant proposal for the San Antonio Botanical Garden in response to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's release of a special call for applications for the Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant with applications due on August 31, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the San Antonio Botanical Garden is a City owned and operated facility and funding from this grant would supplement funds raised by the San Antonio Botanical Garden Society; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated the Botanical Garden project would score favorably in this competitive grant process due to the amount of private funds leveraged as well as the tie to Texas natural and agricultural heritage planned as part of the Family Adventure Garden; and

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission will be considering grant requests at their annual meeting in January 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, funding would become available in the spring of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, if awarded, the grant period is three years with optional extensions if requested;  
**NOW THEREFORE:**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager or her designee or the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department or his designee is authorized to submit a grant application and accept up to \$1,000,000.00 upon award from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) as part of the Local Park Grant Program for the implementation of the Botanical Garden Master plan in Council District 2. A copy of said application is on file with the Parks and Recreation Department.

**SECTION 2.** The City Manager or her designee, or the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department or his designee is further authorized to execute any and all necessary documents to effectuate said application and acceptance.

**SECTION 3.** A new fund will be created upon acceptance of this award and the sum of up to \$1,000,000.00 from the TPWD and an in-kind match of up to \$1,000,000.00 from the San Antonio Botanical Garden Society (SABGS) will be appropriated in said fund.

**SECTION 4.** The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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**Ivy R. Taylor**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

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Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney