

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING DIVISION

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DATE: January 23, 2025

TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members

Broward County Board of County Commissioners

THROUGH: Leonard Vialpando, P.E., Director

Resilient Environment Department (RED)

FROM: David Vanlandingham, P.E., Director

Environmental Permitting Division

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2024 Tree Preservation Trust Fund Annual Report

INTRODUCTION

Section 27-413 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances states, "The Broward County Tree Preservation Trust Fund has been created in the general trust fund of Broward County for the purpose of accepting and disbursing the contributions made to the Board as part of tree removal licenses...". Section 27.188d of the Broward County Administrative Code states, "The Accounting Division, with the assistance of RED, shall prepare and submit an Annual Report to the Board for the projects funded and disbursements made from the Tree Preservation Trust Fund." This memorandum (with attachment) constitutes the Tree Preservation Trust Fund Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024.

BACKGROUND

The Tree Preservation Trust Fund was established in September,1983. Administration of the fund is the responsibility of RED under the guidance of a staff committee composed of representatives from the Public Works Department, the Parks and Recreation Division, and RED. The Committee reviews requests for funding and initiates projects dealing with rights of way, parks and other sites that enhance the tree canopy of the County. Once the projects are approved, RED coordinates the installation and monitoring of the projects to ensure long term viability.

DISBURSEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

Disbursements for Fiscal Year 2024 totaled \$190,385. Below is a list of projects that have been approved for expenditure.

<u>Project</u>	Approved Funding	Expenditure	Status*
Bold Justice	\$10,455	\$9,416	С
Central Broward Park	\$14,925	\$14,925	С
City of North Lauderdale	\$105,250	\$100,668	С
City of Tamarac	\$10,800	\$9,750	С
Markham Park	\$2,000	\$2,000	С
Water Matters Day 2024	\$35,000	\$31,125	С
Wilton Manors	\$22,501	\$22,501	С
Habitat Connectivity Project	\$20,107		0
Naturescape Carbon Capture	\$7,614		0
Quiet Waters Park	\$4,262		0
South HHW Facility	\$18,969		Ο

^{*} C- Completed; O- Ongoing (procurement and/or installation started)

SUMMARY

Attached is the Fiscal Year 2024 financial statement for the fund, prepared by the Accounting Division. Total revenue for the referenced time period was \$117,823. Total funds disbursed during the referenced time period was \$190,385. The total fund balance as of September 30, 2024, was \$1,095,015. Approved projects that are ongoing are estimated to total \$50,952, leaving a reserve for future projects in the amount of \$1,044,063.

Attachment: Accounting Division 2024 Financial Statement Memorandum dated January 22, 2025.

cc. Monica Cepero, County Administrator Kimm Campbell, Deputy County Administrator Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney Robert Melton, County Auditor



Finance and Administrative Services Department

ACCOUNTING DIVISION

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MEMORANDUM

Date: January 22, 2025

To: Leonard Vialpando, Director

Resilient Environment Department

Thru: William O'Reilly, Director

Accounting Division

From: Tony Bryan, Finance Supervisor

Accounting Division

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Re: Financial Statements – Tree Preservation Trust Fund

Attached are the "Tree Preservation Trust Fund" unaudited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2024.

Attachments:

cc: Peter Burke – Environmental Permitting

Michael Orfanedes - Parks and Recreation

Ron Rollins – Highway Construction and Engineering Jennifer Steelman - Office of Management and Budget Jenna Lyons - Office of Management and Budget

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Broward County Board Of County Commissioners Tree Preservation Trust Fund Balance Sheet September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

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<u>Assets</u>	•

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,095,015
Total Assets	\$ 1,095,015
Fund Balance:	
Committed	\$ 1,095,015
Total Fund Balance	\$ 1,095,015

Broward County Board Of County Commissioners Tree Preservation Trust Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

Revenues: Contributions		\$ 46,926
Interest and Investment Income Interest Income	\$ 36,943	
Net Unrealized Increase	,	
in the Fair Value of Investments Total Interest and Investment Income	 33,954	70,897
Total Revenues		117,823
Expenditures:		
Miscellaneous Expenditures		 190,385
Deficiency of Revenues over Expenditures		(72,562)
Fund Balance October 1, 2023		1,167,577
Fund Balance September 30, 2024		\$ 1,095,015