

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING DIVISION

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DATE:

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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 2022 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 2022.

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 2022

Disbursements for Fiscal Year 2022 totaled \$88,936. Below is a list of projects that have been approved for expenditure.

<u>Project</u>	Approved Funding	Expenditure	Status*
Lauderdale-By-Sea	\$4,580	\$4,580	С
Tradewinds Park	\$393	\$361	С
Water Matters Day 2021	\$25,000	\$14,600	С
Water Matters Day 2022	\$15,000	\$13,098	С
Habitat Connectivity Project	\$20,107		0
Naturescape Carbon Capture	\$7,614		0
North Lauderdale	\$105,250.00		0
Quiet Waters Park	\$60,559	\$56,297	0

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

SUMMARY

Attached is the Fiscal Year 2022 financial statement for the fund, prepared by the Accounting Division. Total revenue for the referenced time period was \$8,145. Total funds disbursed during the referenced time period was \$88,936. The total fund balance as of September 30, 2022, was \$1,036,432. Approved projects that are ongoing are estimated to total \$137,233, leaving a reserve for future projects in the amount of \$898,809.

Attachment: Accounting Division 2022 Financial Statement Memorandum dated January 9, 2023.

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