



Legislation Text

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Approval of tree purchase for UT Plateau Discovery Gardens

SUMMARY: Sidney Morgan, master gardener in Cumberland County and former chairman for the Tree Board, has made a request to the Crossville Tree Board on behalf of the UT Plateau Discovery Gardens, to have trees donated and planted at UT Plateau Discovery Gardens located on Hwy 70 in the UT Experiment Station. In total, he has requested 9 trees to be planted in the Gardens. Three of the trees are to be honor trees for former Tree Board members: Meredith Mullen, Sarah Hunter, and Sidney Morgan.

The City has a good history with both the Master Gardeners and UT. Without the master gardeners, Arbor Day celebration would not be possible because of the amount of volunteers provided by the group. This donation would provide good public relations for the city not only locally, but at a statewide level. The Discovery Gardens would establish a plaque commemorating the donation from the City, and would also include an acknowledgment in its monthly magazine, which is sent to all garden members across the State. The Tree Board all agreed to the plantings, but would like to receive approval from the Council before spending money on something that doesn't fall in the city limits.

The estimated cost is \$649.

BUDGET ACCOUNT: 110-44730-321

NECESSARY COUNCIL ACTION: Approve Crossville Tree Board to purchase trees for planting outside of City limits.