

**DATE:** May 4, 2010  
**STAFF:** Michelle Provaznik

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**  
**FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL**

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**SUBJECT**

First Reading of Ordinance No. 048, 2010, Appropriating Grant Funds for the Gardens on Spring Creek.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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The Gardens on Spring Creek has received a total of \$41,375 in grant funding for two part-time, hourly positions, a Community Garden and Outreach Coordinator and a Fund-raising Coordinator. []

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

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The Gardens received \$21,375 from the Coalition for Activity and Nutrition to Defeat Obesity, an initiative of the Poudre Valley Health System Foundation, to continue funding of the Community Garden and Outreach Coordinator position. The primary responsibilities are to maintain the Garden of Eatin', develop a garden network, and establish community gardens throughout Fort Collins targeting low-income populations.

The Gardens also received \$20,000 from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust to fund a part time fundraising coordinator whose primary responsibilities are to create a fundraising plan for operations and capital expansion projects at The Gardens and begin implementation of the plan.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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These grant funds do not require matching funding from the City.

**SUSTAINABILITY: ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACTS**

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The social impact of the Community Garden and Outreach Coordinator position is significant. An increase in local food grown to be donated to the Food Bank for Larimer County is anticipated. Community gardens established in low-income neighborhoods will teach people to grow their own food in a location close to home. Community gardening is a significant part of the Be Local movement.

The Fundraising Coordinator position will help the Gardens develop long-term financial sustainability.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 048, 2010  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
APPROPRIATING UNANTICIPATED GRANT REVENUE IN THE  
GENERAL FUND FOR THE GARDENS ON SPRING CREEK

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins, Gardens on Spring Creek was awarded two grants in the aggregate amount of \$41,375 to fund two, part-time hourly positions; and

WHEREAS, the one grant, totaling \$21,375 is from the Coalition for Activity and Nutrition to Defeat Obesity, an initiative of the Poudre Valley Health System Foundation, for the purpose of funding the Community Garden and Outreach Coordinator position; and

WHEREAS, the other grant, totaling \$20,000 is from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust for the purpose of funding the part time Fund-raising Coordinator position; and

WHEREAS, the grants do not require City matching funds; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9, of the City Charter permits the City Council to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriations, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, City staff has determined that the appropriation of the grant funds from the Coalition for Activity and Nutrition to Defeat Obesity and the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust as described herein will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received in that fund during the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That there is hereby appropriated from unanticipated grant revenue in the General Fund the sum of TWENTY ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$21,375) for expenditure in the General Fund for the Gardens on Spring Creek to fund the Community Garden and Outreach Coordinator position.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from unanticipated grant revenue in the General Fund the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) for expenditure in the General Fund for the Gardens on Spring Creek to fund the Fund-raising Coordinator position.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 4th day of May, A.D. 2010, and to be presented for final passage on the 18th day of May, A.D. 2010.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 18th day of May, A.D. 2010.

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Mayor

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City Clerk