



Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
FROM: Wes Heathcock, Town Manager
DATE: November 14, 2023
RE: Placer County Water Agency Turf Removal Rebate Donation – UC Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Project

Recommendation

Authorize the Town Manager to donate the Placer County Water Agency Turf Removal Rebate to the UC Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

Issue Statement and Discussion

Council authorized the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the UC Master Gardener to install and manage a demonstration garden at the Loomis Library and Community Center on July 12, 2022 (Resolution 22-33). Subsequently, the UC Master Gardeners aggressively pursued donations for the project, which included the potential of the Town of Loomis donating the Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) turf removal rebate for the demonstration garden site in an amount up to \$10,000.

At the July 2023 council meeting, Karen Covey with the UC Master Gardener Staff presented the final project to the Town Council that also highlighted the PCWA turf removal rebate donation. The general feedback from council and the public was supportive of the project and the donation. The attached resolution is to ratify support from the Town Council to authorize the Town Manager to donate the PCWA Turf Removal Rebate to the UC Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

CEOA Requirements

N/A

Financial and/or Policy Implications

The amount of the donation to the UC Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Project will be in the amount equal to the PCWA Turf Removal Rebate Program for the site. The grant funding will be up to \$10,000.

Attachments

1. Resolution 23-XX

Item 6 Attachment 1

TOWN OF LOOMIS

RESOLUTION NO. 23 - XX

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOOMIS
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANGER TO DONATE THE PLACER COUNTY WATER
AGENCY TURF REMOVAL REBATE TO THE UC MASTER GARDENER
DEMONSTRATION GARDEN PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000**

WHEREAS, Council authorized the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the UC Master Gardener to install and manage a demonstration garden at the Loomis Library and Community Center on July 12, 2022 (Resolution 22-33); and

WHEREAS, The UC Master Gardeners aggressively pursued donations for the project, which included the potential of the Town of Loomis donating the Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) turf removal rebate for the demonstration garden site in an amount up to \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, At the July 2023 council meeting, Karen Covey with the UC Master Gardener Staff presented the final project to the Town Council that also highlighted the PCWA turf removal rebate donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Loomis authorizes the Town Manger to donate the Placer County Water Agency Turf Removal Rebate to the UC Master Gardener Demonstration Garden Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Loomis this 14th day of November 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

Mayor, Danny Cartwright

ATTEST:

Deputy Town Clerk, Carol Parker