



Legislation Text

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Consider recommendation from the Finance/Administrative Committee to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with City of San Antonio Zoo for the development of an Edwards Aquifer Conservation and Education Exhibit within the San Antonio Zoo.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move the board approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the EAA and City of San Antonio Zoo, for the development of an Edwards Aquifer Conservation and Education Exhibit within the San Antonio Zoo.

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this agenda item is for the board to consider a Finance/Administrative Committee recommendation to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the EAA and the City of San Antonio Zoo for the development of an Edwards Aquifer Conservation and Education Exhibit within the San Antonio Zoo. The purpose of this exhibit is to promote understanding and appreciation of the Edwards Aquifer and associated endangered species within the aquifer. The exhibit and associated educational programming will be provided as rent for the lease of three self-contained portable research facilities ("pods") owned by the EAA and located at the zoo. These pods were installed in 2015 to support the EAA's salvage refugia operations.

If approved, the MOU will serve as the basis for a draft lease agreement to be presented at a future date to the Finance/Administrative Committee and board for final approval.

At the August 22 meeting, the Finance/Administrative Committee voted to recommend the board approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the EAA and City of San Antonio Zoo, for the development of an Edwards Aquifer Conservation and Education Exhibit within the San Antonio Zoo.

STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:

This agenda item supports the EAA's policy direction as set forth in the EAA 2016-20 Strategic Plan: Goal G. Build Shared Value in the EAA Mission.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. This MOU, as well as the possible resulting lease agreement, are intended to be cost neutral.

