COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE Inter-Office Communication

Date:

May 15, 2019

To:

Supervisor James "Luigi" Schmitt, Chair, Committee on Finance and Audit Supervisor Jason Haas Chair, Committee on Parks, Energy and Environment

From:

Jennifer L. Folliard, Director of Audits

Subject:

Status Report - Boerner Botanical Gardens Audit (File No. 15-427)

At their meetings in June 2015, the Committees on Finance, Personnel & Audit and Parks, Energy & Environment reviewed our audit report, "Boerner Botanical Gardens Must Address Numerous Needs to Achieve Its Mission," and adopted a resolution indicating County Board concurrence with the report recommendations.

A copy of the Boerner Botanical Gardens audit report can be accessed through the following link:

https://county.milwaukee.gov/files/county/comptroller/Audit/Audit-Reports1/2015/BoernerBotanicalGardensReportORIGINALRevPg35.pdf

A series of status reports were previously submitted to your committees for the meetings since December 2015, the last being in December 2018, to communicate the progress toward implementation of our audit recommendations. Attached for your review is the current status report noting updated comments (highlighted yellow) for recommendations that were open as of the last status report.

As indicated by Parks' management comments, progress continues toward implementing the outstanding recommendations.

This status report is informational and due to the remaining efforts required to fully implement all recommendations, we plan to provide the next status report for the December 2019 committee cycle.

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Attachment

cc: Scott Manske B. Manske, CPA, Milwaukee County Comptroller

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