

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
**Inter-Office Communication**

**Date:** May 22, 2017

**To:** Supervisor Peggy A. West, Chair, Committee on Finance and Audit  
Supervisor Jason Haas, Chair, Committee on Parks, Energy and Environment

**From:** Jerome J. Heer, 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.

Status reports were previously submitted to your committees in December 2015 and June and December 2016 to communicate the progress toward implementation of our audit recommendations. Attached for your review is the fourth status report noting updated comments in red text for open recommendations.

As noted by Parks' management, additional recommendations have been implemented and progress continues on those that are outstanding.

This status report is informational and due to the remaining efforts required to fully implement all recommendations, we plan to provide a status report for the December 2017 committee cycle.



Jerome J. Heer

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Attachment

cc: Scott Manske, Milwaukee County Comptroller  
Finance and Audit Committee Members  
Parks, Energy and Environment Committee Members  
Chris Abele, Milwaukee County Executive  
Teig Whaley-Smith, Director, Department of Administrative Services  
John Dargle, Jr., Director, Department of Parks, Recreation & Culture  
Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff, County Board Staff  
Steve Cady, Research & Policy Director, Office of the Comptroller  
Janelle Jensen, Chief Committee Coordinator, County Clerk's Office  
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