

RESOLUTION NUMBER 63

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District consists of the Saint Louis Zoological Park, the Saint Louis Art Museum, the Saint Louis Science Center, Missouri Botanical Garden and Missouri History Museum, all of which are located in the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District's annual tax revenue has increased from \$3.9 million dollars in 1972 to more than \$72 million dollars in 2008 and approximately 15% of that revenue is provided by St. Louis City residents; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2009 Alderman and Parks and Environmental Matters Committee Chairman Joseph Roddy requested that Mr. J. Patrick Dougherty, the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District prepare a presentation for the Parks and Environmental Matters Committee relating to the organization of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District and the district's relationship with the member institutions; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2009 Mr. Dougherty forwarded copies of a 2008 report titled "Building a Vibrant St. Louis" and did not address the request to appear before the Parks and Environmental Matters Committee; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2009 Alderman Roddy sent a second letter to Mr. Dougherty requesting a presentation to the committee and also sent a sunshine request to the district any salary surveys pertaining to the executive directors of the five institutions of the district; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2009 Mr. Dougherty responded by letter that the district would provide the information requested under Missouri Sunshine Laws in December. Mr. Dougherty also declined Alderman Roddy's request to present before the committee because the 2008 annual report previously sent provided the requested information and he consider the "matter resolved."; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2009 Mr. Dougherty forwarded a single page document which was titled "Executive Compensation Status Report" and it simply provided the various executives' names, title and compensation and if they were compliant with the Internal revenue Code and Federal Treasury Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen for the City of St. Louis that we direct the Parks and Environmental Matters Committee of this board to convene hearings for the purpose of examining the structure and organization of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District, and its relationship with the five institutions, and all other related matters and we further direct the committee to include in such discussion J. Patrick Dougherty, the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District and all other parties deemed appropriate and necessary by the Parks and Environmental Matters Committee.

Introduced on the 7th day of May, 2010 by:

Honorable Joseph Roddy, Alderman 17th Ward

Adopted this the 7th day of May, 2010 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen