



**CITY OF MANITOWOC**  
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**TO:** Public Infrastructure Committee

**FROM:** Curt Hall, Parks and Recreation Division Manager

**RE:** Use of donation tube for purchase of wind screen

The birds of prey exhibit has old and tattered windscreen along the fence of the eagle and hawk exhibit fence. The purpose of the windscreen is to provide a visual barrier between exhibits to prevent predator birds from attacking each other through the fence, therefore, preventing injury. The wind screen needs to be replaced.

Staff reached out to a local manufacturer Carron Nets to provide an estimate for the purchas of the material. Attached is a copy of the estimate provided by Carron Nets. Carron Nets has agreed to provide a substantial in-kind discount of \$1,400.

I recommend the City approves utilizing the donation tube to fund the purchase of new windscreen through Carron Nets for the following reasons:

1. The old net is failing and we have noticed that Birds are beginning to interact aggressively through the fence. It is our responsibility to maintain safe exhibits for out animals.
2. New nets will provide a much needed update to the overall visual appearance of the exhibit.
3. Carron Nets is a local company that has supported the Zoo in multiple ways in the past and has shown a