



## Legislation Text

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### Title

Proposed Modification to Olbrich Botanical Gardens Hours of Operation

### Body

OBG staff developed a plan to change the hours of the Gardens that will provide additional clarity to users and the opportunity to provide restroom facilities the entire time the outdoor gardens are open, and provide staffing in the lobby the entire time the lobby is open. Major changes would keep the lobby hours the same as the outdoor garden hours, and the outdoor gardens would open at 9 am year-round. The detail is below.

### Current

#### Outdoor Garden Hours

April - September, 8 am - 8 pm  
October, 9 am - 6 pm  
November - March, 9 am - 4 pm

#### Lobby Hours

9 am - 4 pm (unless a rental or class is scheduled)

#### Gift Shop, Library, Bolz Conservatory, Tram Hours

10 am - 4 pm (tram last trip @ 4:30 pm)

### Proposed (effective April 1, 2018)

#### Outdoor Garden & Lobby Hours

April - August, **9 am** - 8 pm  
September - October, 9 am - 6 pm  
November - March, 9 am - 4 pm **NO CHANGE**

#### Lobby Hours

**NEW** - lobby hours will match outdoor garden hours

#### Gift Shop, Library, Bolz Conservatory, Tram Hours

**NO CHANGE** (except tram last trip @ 4 pm)

At the January 16th, 2018 meeting of the Olbrich Botanical Society, a motion was made by Ms. Derse Phillips and seconded by Mr. Hess to recommend to the Park Commission that Olbrich Botanical Garden's hours be changed as presented in the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.