SPRING 2022 Community Garden Public Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: 02/22/2022 Time: 3:30 PM

Location: City Council Chambers

Committee Members

Present - Anna Sawyer, Dan Scott, Susan Gibson, Chelle Kelly, Starr Crow

Absent - Jane Ginn, Nathan Hamilton, Crystal Bowne, Roy Wert

Community Garden	Notes	Application
		Results/Score (Avg.)
ACTS Church - \$0	This is a returning garden. We requested a timeline for the on-site construction and three (3) measurable goals to be stated for the season.	Approved 14
Hays Senior Center - \$0	This is a returning garden with remaining funds from SP 2021. Susan Gibson abstained from voting.	Approved 20
Iris Park - \$0	This is a returning garden with unspent funds from FA 2021. It is noted that the application submitted was an outdated version.	Approved 15
North Heights - \$0	This is a returning garden with remaining funds from FA 2021.	Approved 14
803 Water St\$960	This is a new garden applying to join the program. The application is missing attachments 2,5,6,7 and 8. The property is owned by UALR but that is not reflected in the application. They are encouraged to apply for FA 2022 funding.	Rejected 9
St. Joseph Center - \$5,000	This is a returning garden with an exceptional application. The garden requested \$1,200 for a community fridge - given the size and scale of their operation their request is warranted. In 2021 alone over 6,000 lbs. of produce were donated from the community garden with their Harvest Share program, and over 1,400 volunteer hours were logged. Chelle Kelly abstained from voting.	Approved (\$5,000) 21
Pike View - \$4,450	This is a returning garden after a short hiatus. Despite concerns over summer maintenance plans, the garden will be fully funded pending the submission of a link to Constructive Playthings structures. Dan Scott abstained from voting	Approved (\$4,450) 18
Idlewild - \$4,100	This is a returning garden under new leadership with an exceptional application.	Approved (\$4,100) 20
Skyline - \$1,644.43	This is a returning garden requesting additional funding post FA 2021 due to uptick in materials cost and spring maintenance plans.	Approved (\$1,644.43) 20

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NLRHS Med-Pro -	This is a returning garden requesting a small amount of	Approved (\$485)
\$485	funds to sustain them for the 2022 year.	15

General Notes

- Applications need to be submitted in full which includes all attachments and any additional information. Gardeners cannot rely on the Garden Coordinator to supplement additional information to the members of the Garden Advisory Board when voting on funding.
- 2. Attendance at Garden Manager Meetings needs to be at 75% or higher, unless communicated otherwise.
- 3. Revisions to the on-file legislation regarding the Advisory Committee to allow for more members on the board and update responsibilities; possibly remove Garden Coordinator from voting.
- 4. Dark Hollow, Veterans' Trail Garden and Shiloh Baptist will all be participating in the 2022 gardening year pending the submission of 2022 Business Licenses. Applications were not required because they applied in FA 2021.