



**Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 2012**  
**City Hall, Room 333**  
**3:00-4:30 p.m.**

- 3:00-3:20**      **Welcome and brief initial introductions**  
 One sentence on the unique perspective you bring to the Food Council
- 3:20-3:25**      **Food Council logistics and announcements (June Mathiowetz)**
- 1) **Biking and parking options**
  - 2) **2012 schedule and location**
  - 3) **January 27<sup>th</sup> retreat**
  - 4) **Orientation packet**
  - 5) **Request for one representative on the Local Food Resource Hub Network's Stewardship Council**
  - 6) **Request for two panelists for Gardening Matters' March 31st Resource Fair in afternoon**
- 3:25-3:30**      **Upcoming decision points for February meeting (Beth Dooley)**
- 7) **Adoption of bylaws**
  - 8) **Selection of co-chair**
  - 9) **Selection of Executive Committee**
  - 10) **Adoption of group norms**
- 3:30-4:25**      **Urban Agriculture Text Amendment**
- 1) **History of Urban Ag Policy Plan (Robin Garwood)**
  - 2) **Review of Text Amendment components (Aly Pennucci)**
  - 3) **Food Council response options**

**Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

- **Local Food Sustainability Targets in Public Safety, Civil Rights and Health Committee**  
 January 25, 2012 at 1:30 in City Hall, Council Chambers
- **Urban Ag Text Amendment Public Hearing at City Planning Commission Meeting**  
 Monday, January 23, 2012 - 4:30 p.m. - City Hall, Room 317
- **Next Food Council Meeting**  
 Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 3 p.m. in City Hall, Room 333
- **Urban Ag Text Amendment in the Zoning and Planning Committee**  
 Tentatively scheduled for February 16, 2012
- **League of Women Voters Forum on Local Food**  
 March 22, 2012 evening event
- **Gardening Matters Resource Fair**  
 March 31, 2012 daytime event

## **Homegrown Minneapolis**

### **Background Information for the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council**

#### **1. City of Minneapolis Goals, Strategic Directions and Values (attached)**

#### **2. City of Minneapolis Sustainability Targets – Local Food**

The City annually tracks 26 sustainability indicators and one of them is a Local Food indicator. As part of Homegrown efforts, two targets for this indicator have been developed and are being considered by the City Council in January 2012 for adoption. The proposed targets are:

- Increase food producing gardens in the city by one acre by 2014 using 2011 as a baseline.<sup>1</sup>
- All residents live within a ¼ mile of a healthy food choice.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Data estimates for 2011 show 13 acres of community gardens in the City.

<sup>2</sup>Healthy food choice is defined as a full service grocery store, enhanced corner store (exceeding city ordinance requirements for fruits and vegetables), farmers market or community garden.

#### **3. 2012 Food Council Establishment Resolution (attached)**

#### **4. Homegrown Mission, Vision, Values, Purpose (attached)**

#### **5. Urban Agriculture – Text Amendment (attached)**

As part of the implementation of the Urban Agriculture Policy Plan that was adopted by the Minneapolis City Council in April (2011), CPED-Planning Division staff have been working on drafting a zoning code text amendment. **A public hearing on the proposed text amendment is set for Monday, January 23, 2012, (4:30, City Hall, Room 317).** It is an opportunity to speak, either in support of or opposition to the proposed text amendment. This meeting may be the only opportunity for public testimony on this text amendment so if you wish to speak you should plan to attend this meeting.

The City Planning Commission (CPC) will make a recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposed text amendment. Any written comments, as well as a transcript of the public testimony made at the CPC meeting, are forwarded to the Zoning & Planning Committee of the City Council. This item is tentatively planned for the February 16, 2012, meeting of the Zoning & Planning Committee.

A draft of the staff recommendations for the proposed text amendment is available on the project website and attached ([www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/projects/cped\\_urban\\_ag\\_zoning](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/projects/cped_urban_ag_zoning)). Staff are currently making revisions to this draft based on input received; a revised draft of the text amendment, as well as a copy of the staff report, will be available online a week prior to the public hearing. Contact Aly Pennucci with questions or comments: [aly.pennucci@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:aly.pennucci@minneapolismn.gov) or 250 South Fourth Street – Room 300, Mpls, MN 55415

# City of Minneapolis Goals

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## A Safe Place To Call Home

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- Collaborative and caring communities help prevent crime
- Youth . . . in school, involved, inspired and connected to an adult
- Sustain gains against violent crime
- Healthy homes, welcoming neighborhoods
- Homelessness eliminated
- Burglaries and domestic violence focused on and fought
- Guns, gangs, graffiti gone

## Jobs & Economic Vitality

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- Businesses — big and small — start here, stay here, thrive here
- Talent magnet connecting people to training and jobs to people
- Strong commercial corridors, thriving business corners
- Planes, trains and streetcars move goods and workers smartly
- Teens prepared with career and life skills
- Epicenter for the new green jobs economy
- Proactive business development in key growth areas
- Arts and artists are economic drivers in and of themselves

## Livable Communities, Healthy Lives

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- Equitable, integrated transit system
- Thoughtful neighborhood design with density done right
- Plentiful arts, cultural and recreational opportunities
- High-quality, affordable housing for all ages and stages in every neighborhood
- Active lifestyles: walkable, bikeable, swimmable
- Healthy choices are easy and economical

## Eco-Focused

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- Clean, renewable energy sources successfully integrated
- Trees: a solid green investment
- Lakes and streams pristine
- Use less energy, produce less waste
- World-class parks fully enjoyed
- Locally grown food available and chosen

## Many People, One Minneapolis

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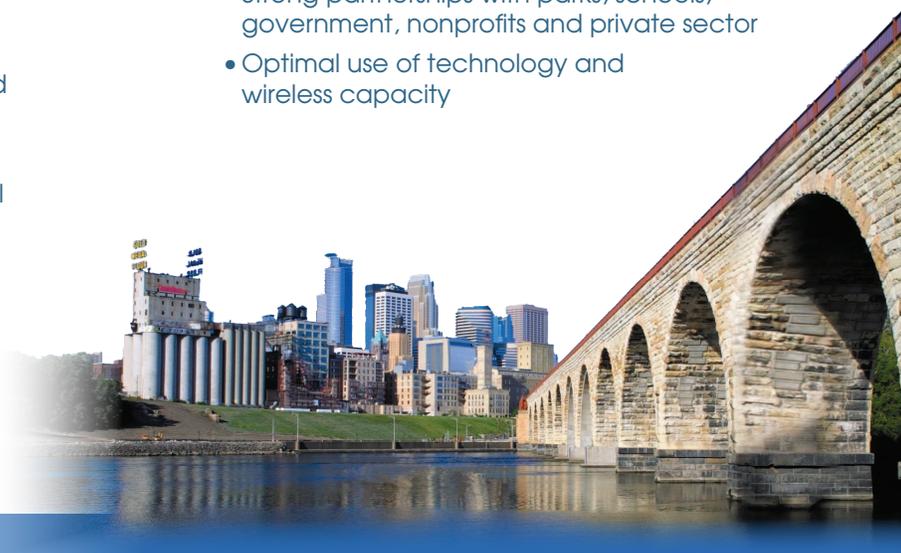
- Family-friendly opportunities and amenities abound
- New arrivals welcomed, diversity embraced
- Race and class gaps closed in employment and housing
- Tots school-ready, teens on course
- Teen pregnancy a thing of the past
- Seniors stay and talents are tapped

## A City That Works

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- Shared democracy empowers residents as valued partners
- 21st century government: collaborative, efficient and reform-minded
- Tax burden managed and sustainable
- Infrastructure — streets, bridges, sidewalks, sewers, bike lanes & paths — well-managed and maintained
- City employees high-performing, engaged and empowered
- Transparency, accountability and fairness are our hallmarks
- Strong partnerships with parks, schools, government, nonprofits and private sector
- Optimal use of technology and wireless capacity

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# we work by values

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## Collaborative

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Our strong, strategic relationships with the private sector and governmental entities — local, regional, national and international — deliver results.

## Engaged

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Our efforts ensure that residents and employees are engaged, empowered and able to make a difference.

## Results-driven

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Our outcome-driven and performance-based focus delivers services that Minneapolis residents, businesses and visitors value.

## Informed

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Our drive to learn the facts, seek alternatives, consider the big picture and analyze future implications leads to smart, confident decisions.

## Accountable

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Our commitment to openness and responsible action generates trust between residents and their government.

## Ethical

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Our responsibility to the public ensures that people at all levels of the organization do the right things for the right reasons.

## Inclusive

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Our appreciation of diversity and commitment to inclusion creates a vibrant, global community.

## Sustainable

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Our commitment to long-term fiscal and environmental stewardship ensures that today's decisions are right for tomorrow.

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Minneapolis  
*living well*

*2011 Sustainability Report*

# Local Food



## Increase the Amount of Local Food Grown, Sold and Consumed in Minneapolis

A socially, economically and ecologically sustainable food system supports and promotes the current and future health of individuals, communities and the natural environment. It requires infrastructure and networks that support the life cycle of food from production to waste recovery. It makes nutritious food accessible and affordable to all, increases food safety and security, and is biodiverse and resilient. It is also humane and fair, protecting farmers, workers, consumers and communities.

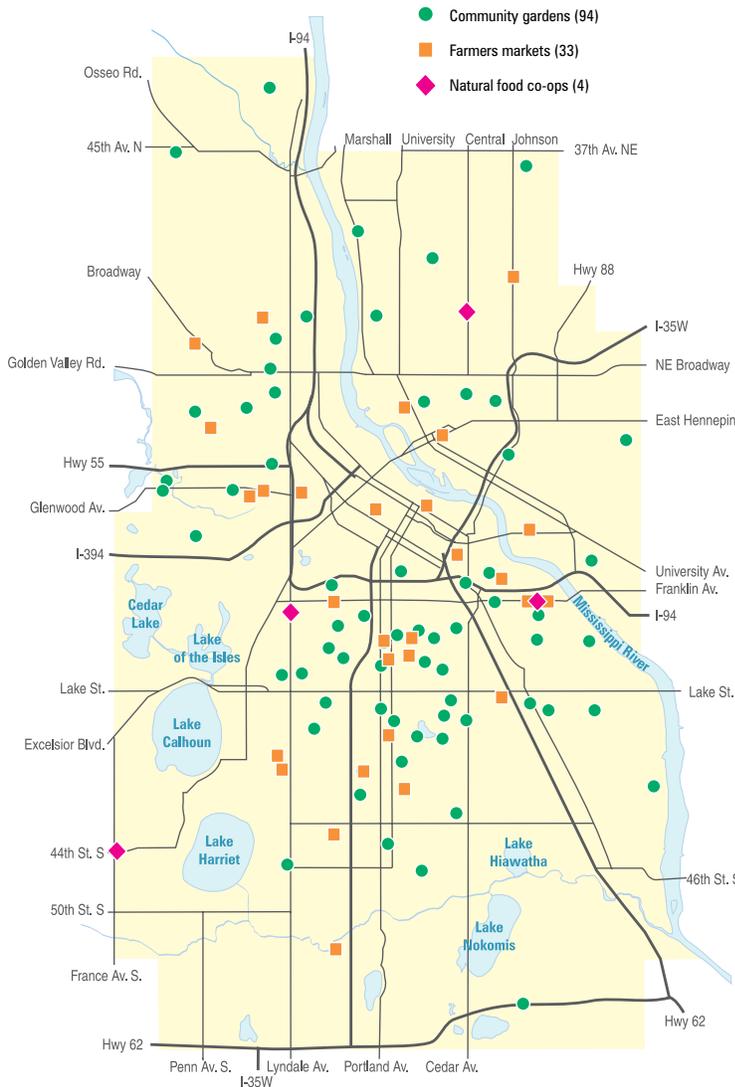
### Target

- Targets are currently under consideration.

## Trend Analysis

The local food system in Minneapolis currently includes 33 farmers markets, 94 community gardens on 18 acres (13 of which are food-growing), four health food co-ops, more than 90 local drop-off points for community supported agriculture (CSA) farms, and many local restaurants serving local food. Food-related ordinance changes to date include: beekeeping and indoor farmers markets are now allowed, grocery stores can now host farmers market vendors, most corner stores are now required to offer at least five varieties of fresh fruits and vegetables, and mobile food vendors can sell non-packaged food in downtown.

Sources of local food in Minneapolis in 2010



Source: Minneapolis CPED, Planning University of Minnesota, Gardening Matters

Community gardens integrated into Minneapolis neighborhoods provide residents with open, green spaces for gathering, sources of fresh produce, a way to stay active, and opportunities for kids to learn about the environment.

## Recent City & Community Activities

- Developed a draft Urban Agriculture Policy Plan, a land use and development plan that will provide a policy framework for commercial and noncommercial urban agriculture. [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/urban\\_ag\\_plan.asp](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/urban_ag_plan.asp)
- Funded development of a Local Food Resource Network to link residents, gardeners and entrepreneurs more easily with seeds, seedlings, education and tools needed for food growing, preservation, distribution and composting.
- Funded development of a Food Preservation Network that trained 19 community food preservation guides to provide canning instruction and coordinated food preservation events at six locations for more than 81 participants.
- Made the process easier for residents to start up community gardens.
- Made 18 plots on City land available to residents for community gardening and created an application and lease. Five of them were leased.
- Helped the Minneapolis and Northeast farmers markets launch Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT), making healthy food accessible to more residents. The City also funded a short-term Market Bucks incentive program this summer to increase the purchasing power of EBT users at these two markets.
- Planted 200 edible chokecherry trees around the city as part of the City Trees program.

## Web Links and Resources

- Homegrown Minneapolis [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/dhfs/homegrown-home.asp](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/dhfs/homegrown-home.asp)
- Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy: Local Foods Program [www.iatp.org/localFoods](http://www.iatp.org/localFoods)
- Local Harvest [www.localharvest.org](http://www.localharvest.org)

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2011**  
**RESOLUTION 2011R-445**  
**By Gordon and Samuels**

**Creating the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council and Recognizing the Importance of Healthy, Sustainably Produced and Locally Grown Foods by amending Resolution 2009R-283 entitled “recognizing the Importance of Healthy, Sustainably Produced and Locally Grown Foods and Creating the Homegrown Minneapolis Implementation Task Force”, passed June 26, 2009 by reorganizing the Homegrown Minneapolis Implementation Task Force.**

Whereas, Homegrown Minneapolis is a citywide initiative to help the community grow, process, distribute, eat and compost more healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods; and

Whereas, Homegrown Minneapolis principles recognize an optimal food system is health promoting, environmentally sustainable, local, resilient, inclusive, equitable, fair and transparent; and

Whereas Homegrown Minneapolis supports the following City goals and strategic directions: *Jobs and Economic Vitality* (epicenter for the new green jobs economy, proactive business development in key growth areas); *Eco-Focused* (locally grown food available and chosen, use less energy, produce less waste); *Livable Communities, Healthy Lives* (thoughtful neighborhood design with density done right, healthy choices are easy and economical); and *A City That Works* (shared democracy that empowers residents as valued partners, strong partnerships with parks, schools, government, nonprofits and private sector); and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis has adopted a Local Food sustainability indicator; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis has already taken important steps to support local foods including:

- Completed an Urban Agriculture Policy Plan, a land use and development plan providing a policy framework for commercial and noncommercial urban agriculture in Minneapolis;
- Funded and guided development of a Local Food Resource Hubs Network to link residents, gardeners and entrepreneurs with the seeds, seedlings, tools, education and connections needed for food growing, preservation, distribution and composting;
- Made plots of City land available to residents for community gardening;
- Helped launch Electronic Benefits Transfer at five farmers markets in the city to make healthy food accessible to more residents;
- Updated ordinances to allow bee keeping and indoor farmers markets in the city, grocery stores to host farmers market vendors, mobile food vendors to sell non-packaged food in downtown and other areas of the city, and to require corner stores to offer at least five varieties of fresh fruits and vegetables;
- Launched a pilot Homegrown Business Development Center to provide matching loans and technical assistance for businesses based in Minneapolis; and

Whereas, the Minneapolis local food system currently includes more than 30 farmers markets, approximately 100 community gardens, four health food coops, numerous drop-off points for community supported agriculture farms, and many local restaurants serving local food; and

Whereas, the Homegrown Minneapolis initiative, begun in December of 2008, has engaged hundreds of stakeholders from multiple perspectives – farmers, community gardeners, farmers market managers, restaurateurs, food and farming nonprofits, entrepreneurs, academics, City staff, regulators, policy makers and enthusiastic local food consumers – in developing innovative policies and strategies to improve the growing, processing, distribution, consumption and composting of healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods in Minneapolis;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That a Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council is created on August 19, 2011 to continue strategically building on these food related efforts with residents and other partners.

Be It Further Resolved that the purpose of the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council is to:

- Develop innovative policies and strategies to improve the growing, processing, promotion, distribution, consumption and composting of healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods in Minneapolis;
- Advise the Mayor, City Council, and Park Board on food system related opportunities and challenges;
- Provide technical expertise and recommendations in the ongoing development of the City's Local Food sustainability targets;
- Advance the food system in directions that are health promoting, environmentally sustainable, local, resilient, inclusive, equitable, fair and transparent;
- Assist in development, implementation, and evaluation of Homegrown Minneapolis recommendations; and, where necessary, convene additional expertise to innovate around challenges;
- Support, participate and provide leadership in development of regional food system work;
- Assist with opportunities to celebrate food and its role in strengthening the connections of Minneapolis' many communities and cultures.

Be It Further Resolved that the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council will be made up of no more than 21 members. The body will be structured to include participation of community members, City staff and elected representatives, a co-ownership model proven to be effective for moving food system work forward in Minneapolis. Term length will be two years beginning in January of even-numbered years; first term to begin in January of 2012 and end in December of 2013. Members may serve up to three consecutive terms.

Be It Further Resolved that of the 21 members, 15 members will be sought from the community, striving for diverse and balanced representation and being mindful to seek out community expertise and perspective from those often underrepresented (such as communities of color). Interested applicants will go through the City's open appointments process, 8 appointed by the Mayor and 7 by the Council. The remaining 6 members will include one representative from each of the following City Departments: the Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support, Community Planning and Economic Development, City Coordinator–Sustainability, Regulatory Services, a Mayor's representative, and a Council member or Council member representative. The body will be staffed by the Homegrown Minneapolis Coordinator unless future funding for this position is not secured, in which case the Mayor's Office will provide staffing.

Be It Further Resolved that the Minneapolis Attorney's Office and Departments of Public Works, Communications, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhood and Community Relations will assist the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council as needed; and

Be It Further Resolved that the body will be led by two co-chairs - one appointed by the Mayor and one appointed by the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council - and guided by an Executive Committee that includes the two co-chairs, up to three Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council members and the Homegrown Minneapolis Coordinator.

Be It Further Resolved that the Homegrown Coordinator and Executive Committee of the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council are directed to return to the Public Safety, Civil Rights and Health Committee annually in December beginning in 2012 to report on worked completed and the upcoming year's work plan. Additionally, the purpose and accomplishments of the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council are to be reviewed every three years by the Minneapolis City Council starting in 2014.

Adopted 9/2/2011

# Homegrown Minneapolis Language Development

## MISSION (as currently posted on website)

Homegrown Minneapolis is a citywide initiative expanding our community's ability to grow, process, distribute, eat and compost more healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods.

## VISION (constructed with community input, not formally adopted)

- A healthy food system that works for all Minneapolis residents.
- Minneapolis residents are food and nutrition literate.
- The food system contributes to the systematic improvement of soil, air, water and health conditions.
- Minneapolis optimizes its food self-sufficiency and its support of the regional food system.
- Minneapolis celebrates food and its role in strengthening the connections of its many communities and cultures.

## VALUES (constructed by community input, not formally adopted)

### HEALTH-PROMOTING

- Recognizes the role of the food system in contributing to collective health and well-being
- Works on public health improvements to systematically increase nutrition and reduce levels of obesity and other chronic diseases

### SUSTAINABLE

- Works to meet current food needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs
- Conserves, protects, and regenerates natural resources, landscapes and biodiversity

### LOCAL

- Recognizes that food and agriculture are central to our local and regional economy
- Works to support small farms and expand the local food sector business and job creation opportunities
- Promotes the restoration, growth, and equitable distribution of capital

### RESILIENT

- Thrives in the face of challenges by developing new and better food system solutions

### INCLUSIVE AND EQUITABLE

- Recognizes the food system belongs to the entire community
- Works to ensure all Minneapolis residents are able to meet their nutritional needs

### FAIR

- Supports fair wages and healthy working conditions across the food system (If it doesn't work for farmers, it doesn't work.)
- Provides economic opportunities across the city and at levels that serve a diverse range of food system stakeholders

## TRANSPARENT

- Provides opportunities for farmers, workers and consumers to gain the knowledge necessary to understand how food is produced, transformed, distributed, marketed, consumed and disposed
- Empowers farmers, workers and residents to actively participate in decision-making in all sectors of the system

## PURPOSE (as established in City Council Resolution)

- Develop innovative policies and strategies to improve the growing, processing, promotion, distribution, consumption and composting of healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods in Minneapolis;
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- Provide technical expertise and recommendations in the development of the City's Local Food sustainability targets;
- Advance the food system in directions that are health promoting, environmentally sustainable, local, resilient, inclusive, equitable, fair and transparent and, where necessary, convene additional expertise to innovate around challenges;
- Assist in development, implementation, and evaluation of Homegrown Minneapolis recommendations;
- Support, participate and provide leadership in development of regional food system work; and
- Assist with opportunities to celebrate food and its role in strengthening the connections of Minneapolis' many communities and cultures.

## SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS (Being presented to City Council in January 2012)

- Increase food producing gardens in the city by one acre by 2014 using 2011 as a baseline.<sup>1</sup>
- All residents live within a ¼ mile of a healthy food choice.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Data estimates for 2011 show 13 acres of community gardens in the City.

<sup>2</sup>Healthy food choice is defined as a full service grocery store, enhanced corner store (exceeding city ordinance requirements for fruits and vegetables), farmers market or community garden.

## Additional language used in previous Homegrown communications:

*"Collaborating for a More Healthy, Sustainable, Local Food System"* used in December 2011 Community Meeting Two Page Final Report

*"Homegrown Minneapolis: Building a healthy, sustainable, local food system for all Minneapolis residents"* used in December 2010 Community Meeting Four Page Two Year Report and PowerPoint presentations

*Homegrown Minneapolis is a citywide initiative that develops innovative policies and strategies for the growing, processing, distribution, consumption and waste prevention/reduction/recovery of healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods.*

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 520 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to  
Zoning Code: Introductory Provisions.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 520.160 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following definitions in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

**520.160. Definitions.** Unless otherwise expressly stated, or unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning, the words and phrases in the following list of definitions shall, for the purposes of this zoning ordinance, have the meanings indicated. Additional definitions may be found within specific chapters of this zoning ordinance. All words and phrases not defined shall have their common meaning.

*Aquaculture.* The cultivation of aquatic animals, in a recirculating environment to produce whole fish that are distributed to retailers, restaurants and consumers.

*Aquaponics.* The combination of aquaculture and hydroponics to grow crops and fish together in a recirculating system without any discharge or exchange of water.

*Arbor.* A landscape structure consisting of an open frame with horizontal and/or vertical latticework often used as a support for climbing plants. An arbor may be freestanding or attached to another structure.

*Cold frame.* An unheated outdoor structure typically consisting of, but not limited to, a wooden or concrete frame and a top of glass or clear plastic, used for protecting seedlings and plants from the cold.

*Community Garden:* A use in which land managed by a group of individuals is used to grow food or ornamental crops, such as flowers, for donation or for use by those cultivating the land and their households. Community gardens may be divided into separate plots for cultivation by one or more individuals or may be farmed collectively by members of the group and may include common areas maintained and used by group members.

*Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up.* Location where a farmer delivers or distributes farm shares and individuals pick up their shares at a set time weekly, biweekly or monthly.

*Composting.* The natural degradation of organic material, such as yard and food waste, into soil.

Farmstand. A temporary structure for the display and sale of food or ornamental crops grown on-site at a community garden, market garden or urban farm.

Greenhouse: A structure that is constructed primarily of glass, glass-like or translucent material which is devoted to the protection or cultivation of plants.

Greenhouse, lawn and garden supply store. An establishment where products related to the planting, maintaining, or harvesting of trees, shrubs, plants, grasses or sod, fertilizers, soils, chemicals or other goods and related products are sold in small quantity to the public.

Greenhouse, wholesale: An establishment where products related to the planting, maintaining, or harvesting of trees, shrubs, plants, grasses or sod, fertilizers, soils, chemicals or other goods and related products are sold primarily to greenhouse, lawn and garden supply stores, landscape contractors or other retail outlets.

Hoop house. A temporary or permanent structure typically made of, but not limited to, piping or other material covered with translucent plastic, constructed in a hoop shape, for the purposes of growing plants. A hoop house is considered more temporary than a greenhouse.

Hydroponics. The growing of plants, in a water and fertilizer solution containing the necessary nutrients for plant growth.

Market garden. An establishment where food or ornamental crops are grown on the ground, on a rooftop or inside a building, to be sold or donated, that is smaller in scale than an urban farm.

Mini-Market. A type of farmers market, limited to five or fewer market vendors, whose primary purpose is to improve access to locally grown agricultural products.

Produce and Craft Market. A recurring event, held outdoors or in another defined place, on designated days and times, where market vendors consisting of agricultural producers, home processors, food market manufacturers, food market distributors and craft producers that manufactures or crafts non-food goods by the force of their own labor, are organized for the purpose of selling their products directly to the public. A minimum of thirty (30) percent of market vendors in produce and craft markets shall be food market vendors (agricultural producers, food market manufacturers, food market distributors, or home processors).

Urban Farm. An establishment where food or ornamental crops are grown and processed to be sold or donated on the same lot or off site that includes, but is not limited to, outdoor growing operations, indoor growing operations, vertical farms, aquaponics, aquaculture and rooftop farms.

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 530 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to  
Zoning Code: Site Plan Review**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 530.180 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**530.180. - Landscaping of other areas.** All other areas not governed by sections 530.160 and 530.170 and not occupied by buildings, parking and loading facilities or driveways, shall be covered with turf grass, native grasses or other perennial flowering plants, vines, mulch, shrubs, ~~or~~ trees or edible landscaping.

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 535 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Regulations of General Applicability.**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Table 535-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following types of obstructions in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

**Table 535-1 Permitted Obstructions in Required Yards**

Type of Obstruction	Front or Corner Side Yard	Interior Side Yard	Rear Yard
<u>Arbors, or other growing support structures that are not a fence, trellis or pergola, not exceeding twenty (20) square feet in area, including eaves, and not more than eight (8) feet in height. Both the sides and the roof must be at least fifty (50) percent open, or, if latticework is used, shall be less than sixty (60) percent opaque. Such structures shall not be constructed of electrically charged wire, razor wire, chain link, chicken wire, railroad ties, utility poles, plywood or any other similar materials.</u>	<u>P</u>		<u>P</u>
<u>Pergolas, subject to the provisions of Chapter 537, Accessory Uses and Structures, and section 535.280 (d), (e) and (f). In a front or corner side yard pergolas shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area, including eaves, and not more than eight (8) feet in height.</u>	<u>P</u>	P	P
<u>Raised planting beds, not exceeding three (3) feet in height, including covered planting beds. In a front or corner side yard raised planting beds shall not be closer than five (5) feet to a front or corner side property line.</u>	<u>P</u>		<u>P</u>

<u>Raised planting beds shall be constructed of durable materials and shall be compatible with the principal structure and adjacent residential properties.</u>			
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Section 2. That Section 535.360 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows

**535.360. - Permitted temporary uses and structures.** The following temporary uses and structures shall be permitted in all zoning districts, except as otherwise specified below, provided such temporary use or structure shall comply with the regulations of the zoning district in which it is located and all other applicable regulations of this ordinance.

- (4) Seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items. The seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items, ~~including but not limited to Christmas trees, wreaths and pumpkins~~ may be allowed as a temporary use. Such temporary use shall not exceed a duration of thirty-five (35) days in one (1) calendar year. In the residence and OR1 districts, such seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items shall be located on institutional and public uses property only.
- (5) Farmers' markets, Mini-markets and Produce and Craft Markets. Farmers' markets, Mini-markets and Produce and Craft Markets may be allowed as a temporary use. Such temporary use shall not exceed a duration of seventy-five (75) days in one (1) calendar year. In the residence and OR1 districts, farmers' markets, mini-markets and produce and craft markets shall be located on institutional or public use sites or on zoning lots of not less than twenty thousand (20,000) square feet. Temporary farmers' markets, mini-markets and produce and craft markets shall not be located in the I3 zoning district. One (1) freestanding not exceeding eight (8) square feet in area and six (6) feet in height shall be allowed accessory to temporary farmers' market, mini-market and produce and craft market and may be permanently installed on the site, provided that such sign shall be removed if the temporary use permit is not reissued.
- (8) Farmstand. Farmstands may be allowed as a temporary use provided that such temporary farmstand shall only sell products grown onsite and shall not exceed a duration of fifteen (15) days in one (1) calendar year. Farmstands shall be allowed only accessory to a lawfully established market garden, urban farm or community garden. Farmstands must be removed from the premises or stored inside a structure when not in operation. Only one (1) farmstand is permitted per zoning lot. Temporary farmstands shall not be located in the I3 zoning district.

~~(8)~~(9) *Additional temporary uses.* In addition to the temporary uses and structures listed above, the zoning administrator may allow other temporary uses and structures, not exceeding fifteen days (15) in one (1) calendar year, provided the zoning administrator determines that the proposed temporary use or structure is substantially similar to a temporary use or structure listed above in the manner provided for in Chapter 525, Administration and Enforcement, governing determination of substantially similar uses.

Section 3. That Section 535.450 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**535.450. - Home occupation standards.** Home occupations shall be subject to the following standards, except that licensed family day care and licensed group family day care shall be exempt from the provisions of sections (2), (6), (11), (12), (13) and (15):

- (5) The home occupation shall be conducted only within an enclosed area of the dwelling, except that the growing of food or ornamental crops, to be sold or donated off-site, shall be exempt from this provision.
- (6) Outdoor storage or display of materials, goods, supplies, or equipment related to the conduct of a home occupation shall be prohibited, unless associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops to be sold or donated off-site. Any materials associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops shall be located entirely to the rear of the principal structure and shall not be located in a required yard unless stored within a permitted accessory structure.
- (7) No home occupation shall be visible from any public right-of-way, except for allowed signage, unless associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops to be sold or donated off-site. Plantings that do not change the residential character or appearance of the dwelling, any accessory buildings or the zoning lot shall be permitted.

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 536 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Specific Development Standards**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 536.20 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by amending or adding thereto the following specific development standard in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

*Community Garden*

- (1) Overhead lighting shall be prohibited.
- ~~(2) Signage shall be limited to a single, non-illuminated, flat sign of four (4) square feet.~~
- ~~(3)~~(2) No more than two (2) vehicles shall be parked on-site, excluding those parked within an enclosed structure.
- ~~(4)~~(3) No retail sales shall be permitted, except as an approved temporary use, as specified in Chapter 535, Regulations of General Applicability.
- (4) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.
- (5) Outdoor growing associated with a community garden shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

*Market Gardens.*

- (1) In the Residence and OR1 districts:
  - a. Mechanized equipment similar in scale to that designed for household use shall be permitted. Use of larger mechanized farm equipment is generally prohibited; provided, however, that during the initial preparation of the land heavy equipment may be used to prepare the land between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
  - b. No retail sales shall be permitted, except as an approved temporary use, as specified in Chapter 535, Regulations of General Applicability.
  - c. No more than two (2) vehicles shall be parked on-site, excluding those parked within an enclosed structure.

d. Shipment and delivery of products or supplies shall be limited to between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and shall regularly occur only in single rear axle straight trucks or smaller vehicles normally used to serve residential neighborhoods.

e. Overhead lighting shall be prohibited.

(2) In the C3A and downtown zoning districts market gardens shall be limited to rooftops or indoor operations unless accessory to a principal use located on the same zoning lot.

(3) Any equipment or supplies needed for garden operations shall be enclosed or otherwise screened from the street and any adjacent residential uses.

(4) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.

(5) Keeping of animals is prohibited

(6) Outdoor growing associated with a market garden shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

Urban Farm.

(1) Keeping of animals is prohibited.

(2) Any equipment or supplies needed for farm operations shall be fully enclosed or otherwise effectively screened from the street and any adjacent residential uses.

(3) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.

(4) Outdoor growing associated with an Urban Farm shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

**AN ORDINANCE  
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CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 537 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Accessory Uses and Structures**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 537.110 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following allowed accessory use or structures and development standards, in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

*Animal coops, pens or other structures used to house small animals or fowl, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon.* Animal coops, pens or other structures used to house small animals or fowl, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon shall be allowed accessory to a dwelling subject to the following:

- (1) The use shall be located not less than twenty (20) feet from any habitable building on an adjacent property.
- (2) The use shall be visually screened from any adjacent residential use.
- (3) The use shall be constructed of durable materials and shall be compatible with the principal structure and adjacent residential properties.
- (4) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 70, Fowl, Pigeons and Other Small Animals, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances.

*Aquaponics or aquaculture.* Aquaponics or aquaculture shall be allowed accessory to an urban farm or accessory to indoor market gardens located in a commercial or downtown zoning district, subject to the following:

- (1) The operator shall maintain any required licensure through the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture.
- (2) The tanks shall not be connected to the sewer system.

*Community bulletin board.* Community Bulletin Boards shall be allowed as an accessory use to institutional and public uses, subject to the following standards:

- (1) A community bulletin board shall not be located in any required yard or within twenty (20) feet of any adjacent residential structure.
- (2) Community bulletin boards shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area and shall not exceed six (6) feet in height.

(3) Landscaping or other decorative materials designed to screen the base of the community bulletin board shall be provided. Such landscape or decorative materials shall be capable of screening the base of the sign all year and shall be well maintained.

(4) Illumination is prohibited.

Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up: Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up sites shall be allowed as an accessory use.

*Compost container.* Compost containers shall be allowed as an accessory use, subject to Chapter 244, Housing Maintenance Code, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances the following:

(1) Compost containers shall not be closer than twenty (20) feet from any adjacent dwelling.

(2) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 244, Housing Maintenance Code, section 244.70 Composting, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances and with all applicable rules and statutes as determined by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

*Fowl, pigeons and other small animals.* Fowl, pigeons and other small animals, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon, shall be allowed accessory to a permitted or conditional residential use subject to the following:

(1) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 70, Fowl, Pigeons and Other Small Animals, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances

(2) Live slaughter shall be prohibited.

*Hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants.* Hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants shall be allowed as an accessory use subject to the applicable district regulations. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 537, hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants shall be exempt from the maximum floor area of all accessory structures, provided that the total size of such temporary structures shall not exceed one thousand (1,000) square feet or fifteen (15) percent of the lot area, whichever is greater, and shall not exceed a duration of one hundred eighty (180) days.

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 541 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
Relating to Zoning Code: Off-Street Parking and Loading.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 541.1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

**Table 541-1 Specific Off-Street Parking Requirements**

<b>Use</b>	<b>Minimum Parking Requirement</b>	<b>Maximum Parking Allowed</b>	<b>Notes (see 541.170)</b>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>			
<b>Retail Sales and Services</b>			
<u>Market Garden</u>	<u>1 space per 5,000 sq. ft. of growing or storage area</u>	<u>1 space per 2,500 sq. ft. of growing or storage area or as determined by Chapter 536 Specific Development Standards.</u>	<u>1</u> <u>The minimum requirement of 4 spaces shall not apply</u>
<b>INDUSTRIAL USES</b>			
<b>Specific Industrial Uses</b>			
<u>Urban Farm</u>	<u>1 space per 500 sq. ft. of GFA of office, sales, or display area in excess of 4,000 sq. ft. (minimum of 4 spaces) + 1 space per 5,000 sq. ft. of growing or storage area</u>	<u>1 space per 200 sq. ft. of GFA of office, sales, or display area + 1 space per 2,500 sq. ft. of growing or storage area</u>	<u>1</u>

Section 2. That Table 541-3 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following in alphabetical sequence to read as follows

**Table 541-3 Bicycle Parking Requirements**

Use	Minimum Bicycle Parking Requirement	Notes (see 541.180)
<b>Minimum bicycle parking requirement, in general.</b> Non-residential uses having one thousand (1,000) square feet or less shall be exempt from minimum bicycle parking requirements. Unlisted uses do not have a minimum bicycle parking requirement.		
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>		
<u>Market Garden</u>	<u>3 spaces</u>	<u>1</u>
<b>INDUSTRIAL USES</b>		
<b>Specific Industrial Uses</b>		
<u>Urban Farm</u>	<u>3 spaces</u>	<u>1</u>

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 543 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
Relating to Zoning Code: On-Premise Signs.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 543-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 543-1 Specific Standards for Signs in the Residence and OR1 Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>Sign Standards</i>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>	
<u>Market Garden</u>	<u>One (1) nonilluminated identification sign not exceeding eight (8) sq. ft. Maximum height of six (6) ft.</u>

Section 2. That Section 535.360 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows

**543.220. Farmers' market.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Tables 543-1 Specific Standards for Signs in the Residence and OR1 Districts, 543-2, Specific Standards for Signs in the OR2, OR3 and Commercial Districts, 543-3, Specific Standards for Signs in the Downtown Districts, and 543-4 Specific Standards for Signs in the Industrial Districts, signage accessory to a farmers' market shall be limited to one (1) square foot of signage per one (1) foot of street frontage of the zoning lot. One (1) freestanding sign shall be allowed per zoning lot. Freestanding signs shall not exceed fifty-four (54) square feet in area and ~~fourteen (14)~~ eight (8) feet in height. All other signs shall not exceed forty-five (45) square feet in area and ~~fourteen (14)~~ eight (8) feet in height. ~~Signs for temporary farmers' markets shall not be permanently installed on the site.~~

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 546 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Residence Districts.**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion of Table 546-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 546-1 Principal Uses in Residence Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>R1</i>	<i>R1A</i>	<i>R2</i>	<i>R2B</i>	<i>R3</i>	<i>R4</i>	<i>R5</i>	<i>R6</i>	<i>Specific Development Standards</i>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>									
<u>Market Garden, with a planting area of 10,000 sq. ft. or less</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>✓</u>
<u>Market Garden, with a planting area greater than 10,000 sq. ft.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>✓</u>

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 547 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Office Residence Districts.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 547-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 547-1 Principal Uses in the Office Residence Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>OR1</i>	<i>OR2</i>	<i>OR3</i>	<i>Specific Dev. Standards</i>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>				
<u>Market Garden, with a planting area of 9,999 sq. ft. or less</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>✓</u>
<u>Market Garden, with a planting area equal to or greater than 10,000 sq. ft.</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>✓</u>

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 548 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Commercial Districts.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 548-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 548-1 Principal Uses in the Commercial Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>C1</i>	<i>C2</i>	<i>C3A</i>	<i>C3S</i>	<i>C4</i>	<i>Specific Development Standards</i>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>						
<u>Market Garden</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>✓</u>
<b><u>PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND STORAGE</u></b>						
<u>Urban Farm</u>					<u>C</u>	<u>✓</u>

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 549 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Downtown Districts.**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion of Table 549-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 549-1 Principal Uses in the Downtown Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>B4</i>	<i>B4S</i>	<i>B4C</i>	<i>B4N</i>	<i>Specific Development Standards</i>
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>					
<b>Retail Sales and Service</b>					
Market Garden	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>✓</u>

**AN ORDINANCE  
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By Gordon

**Amending Title 20, Chapter 550 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances  
relating to Zoning Code: Industrial Districts.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 545-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**Table 547-1 Principal Uses in the Office Residence Districts**

<i>Use</i>	<i>I1</i>	<i>I2</i>	<i>I3</i>	<b><i>Specific Dev. Standards</i></b>
<b>INDUSTRIAL USES</b>				
<b>Specific Industrial Uses</b>				
<u>Urban Farm</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>P</u>		<u>✓</u>