



**Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council
Wednesday, December 9, 2015**

5:30-6:30 pm Food Council meeting

6:30-7:30 pm Food Council social & celebration

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Draft Agenda

- 5:30 pm 1) Introduction of guests, approval of the agenda and October, November meeting minutes (Attachments 1, 2)
- 5:40 pm 2) Discussion and vote: GMO labeling support (Attachment 3) (Tracy Singleton)
- 5:55 pm 3) Discussion and debrief: Open House (Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 6:15 pm 4) Honor outgoing and greet incoming Food Council members (Tamara Downs Schwei, all)
- 6:25 pm 5) Food Council member and guest updates; future agenda items
- 6:30 pm 6) Meeting adjourns; Food Council social time and celebration

Next Food Council Meeting:

Wednesday, January 13, 2015, 5:30-7:30 pm at Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Headquarters, Minnehaha Room, 2117 West River Road, Minneapolis



About Homegrown Minneapolis and the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council

Homegrown Minneapolis is a citywide initiative expanding our community's ability to grow, process, distribute, eat and compost more healthy, sustainable, locally grown foods. Homegrown Minneapolis brings together key partners from local government, area businesses, community organizations, non-profits, and residents to build a healthy, local food system.

The Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council envisions a vibrant local food system that enhances the health of all residents, protects the earth, increases economic vitality, expands social connectedness, and improves food security. To continue to advance Homegrown Minneapolis, the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council works to support all Minneapolis residents and increase access to quality food, address hunger and food insecurity, connect sectors of the food system, influence policy and decision making, and ensure an environmentally sustainable and socially just food system. To accomplish this, the food council:

1. fosters City-community partnerships;
2. convenes and engages diverse stakeholders to identify and propose innovative solutions to improve the local food system;
3. provides ongoing guidance to the City on local food issues; and
4. serves as a platform for collaborative, coordinated action.

For more information, visit www.minneapolismn.gov/sustainability/homegrown

Robert's Rules of Order

The Food Council utilizes Robert's Rules of Order to provide standard rules and procedures that will allow the Food Council to facilitate meetings, discussions and group decision-making. Some basic elements:

I. *Motion*

- **Use:** To **introduce** a new piece of business or propose a decision or action
- **Language:**
 - 1st motion – "I move to/that..."
 - 2nd motion – "I second it."
 - Group votes on motion – "All in favor of adopting the motion to ... say *Aye*. Those opposed, say *No*."
 - Co-chair announces result of the vote – e.g. "The motion passes (fails)..."
- **Example(s):**
 - Approval of meeting minutes
 - Postpone consideration of a matter
 - Study/research an issue further

II. *Amend*

- **Use:** To **change** a motion under consideration
- **Language:**
 - 1st member - "I move to amend the motion ..."
 - 2nd motion – "I second the amendment."
 - Group votes to decide whether the amendment is accepted – "All in favor of adoption the amendment say *Aye*. Those opposed, say *No*."
- **Example:**
 - Amend a motion
 - Amend language in a Resolution Statement or Letter of Support