



**Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council  
Wednesday, March 11, 2015  
5:30-7:30 pm meeting at Wedge Table, Community Room  
2412 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, MN  
5:00-5:25 pm Pre-meeting tour/presentation**

**Draft Agenda**

- 5:30 pm 1) Introduction of Guests, approval of the agenda and the December meeting minutes (Attachment 1)
- 5:35 pm 2) Update: Food Council Presentation to HECE Committee 2/23/15 (Russ Henry)
- 5:40 pm 3) MPRB Urban Agriculture Activity Plan: Presentation of potential partnership on implementation (Ginger Cannon, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board)
- 6:00 pm 4) Legislative updates:
- Update and Potential Action: MN Cottage Food Laws discussion & potential Food Council resolution supporting changes to MN Cottage Food Laws (Katie Lampi)
  - Update: MN Seed Law (Russ Henry, Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 6:10 pm 5) Update: Community indicators process (Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 6:20 pm 6) Presentation: Healthier beverages initiative (Vish Vasani)
- 6:30 pm 7) Working group breakout sessions: land access & hubs
- 7:15 pm 8) Working group & task force updates:
- Land access
  - Community Outreach and engagement
  - Organics
  - Animals
  - Hubs/Aggregation
- 7:25 pm 8) Food Council Member/Guest updates, Future Agenda items
- 7:30 pm 9) Meeting Adjourns

**Next Food Council Meeting:**

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 from 5:30-7:30 pm at EMERGE Career & Technology Center (ECTC), 1834 Emerson Avenue North, 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**

**<http://www.minneapolismn.gov/sustainability/homegrown>**