



## **Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council Wednesday, February 10, 2016**

*5:30-8:00 pm Food Council meeting*

*5:00-5:30 optional pre-meeting presentation*

Neighborhood Hub, 3210 Oliver Ave N

Located in Christ English Church, Highland Hall meeting room

### **Draft Agenda**

- 5:30 pm 1) Introduction of guests, approval of the agenda and January meeting minutes (Attachment 1) (DeVon Nolen)
- 5:40 pm 2) Review January meeting discussion, overview of February-April meeting objectives (DeVon Nolen, Russ Henry, Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 5:45 pm 3) Discussion: Food Council Skill sets, assets, affiliations (DeVon Nolen, Vish Vasani, Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 6:30 pm 4) Discussion: Food Council working groups and task forces
- a) Overview of recent working group & task forces accomplishments (Russ Henry)
  - b) Working group roles, expectations (Vish Vasani, Tamara Downs Schwei)
  - c) Working groups in progress from 2015 (Russ Henry, Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 6:50 pm 5) Election: Co-Chair and Executive Committee (Attachment 2) (Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 7:05 pm 6) Vote: Approval of 2016 Food Council Meeting Time (Tamara Downs Schwei)
- 7:10 pm 7) Discussion: Food Council equity and empowerment; review previous Food Council cohort's discussions & group discussion (Janice Barbee)
- 7:50 pm 8) Food Council member and guest updates; future agenda items (DeVon Nolen)
- 8:00 pm 9) Meeting adjourns

### **Next Food Council Meeting:**

To be confirmed by Food Council, scheduled for Wednesday, March 9, 2016, 5:30-7:30 pm at Theodore Wirth Chalet Fireside Room, 1301 Theodore Wirth Parkway, 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](http://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:**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> motion – "I move to/that..."
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> member - "I move to amend the motion ..."
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> 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