

## Community Gardening Project Survey

January 2016

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Yogananda S. Markandeya  
1141N Segoe Road Apt#58B  
Madison, WI-53705

2. Would you be interested in having a garden plot? Please circle:  Yes  No

If yes, please provide your phone number or an email address where you can be reached.

3. Do you have any concerns or suggestions regarding a community garden at this site?

As such I don't have any suggestion, But I am very much excited to start gardening at new community gradening site. Thank you so much for giving us a chance to do community gardening.

If you have any questions please contact:

Cindy Statz, Garden Coordinator  
PO Box 5011, Madison, WI 53705  
Phone (no later than 8:00 PM please): (608) 576-5332 or (608) 233-9181  
E-mail: [coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org](mailto:coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org)

We would appreciate getting this form back from you by January 29, 2016. Thank you for taking the time to communicate with us about this project and we look forward to a productive and successful community garden.

Sincerely,

The Community Garden Committee

January 21, 2016 4:25 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Community Gardens in Rennebohm Park

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Hi Peter,

Long time no see – since our kids were in boy scouts together I believe!

Anyway, I have a couple of comments and am not sure I will be able to make the meeting tonight.

1. The 33 year old community garden group, as I understand it, adopted their non-profit status last year *only* to position themselves to possibly buy the state owned land they were using. That did not happen as you know, but their status as a non-profit might now seem as though they are a non-public group. They have always been and remain now, a group with a first come, first serve policy to the general public. The intent has always been to allow any-income people of the area a chance to grow some of their own food. However, the low-income people living in the apartments have taken advantage of the opportunity.

2. Also by UHFNA bylaws, the apartment dwellers are not allowed to be members of the association. They have no choice for membership in our association so their participation in our discussions has been somewhat limited due to this policy. I understand that Chris Schmidt included representatives in this discussion, but the majority of the gardeners would be excluded for this reason.

3. I am a commission member of the City of Madison Community Development Authority, which owns the city's public housing projects, and many additional low income housing units. We have included Community Gardens in many of our projects and support the use of them, especially for our residents that want to add to their food sources.

4. Due to the suggested locations of the community gardens on the edges of Rennebohm Park, and in areas of low usage, I am in favor of using this space for the gardens. I understand that the density of our neighborhood is increasing, but as the wonderful planned community that we have been, I think we should welcome this usage in our park. By design, the University allowed for all incomes within this neighborhood and I would like to see us encourage that to continue. The two park areas being proposed for garden use are not ever utilized that I see when I walk through the park. I can also see some positive reasons to include the gardens, including showcasing native plants that will thrive in our area – something I would enjoy learning about myself. It would not be unreasonable to ask for certain design features to attractively enclose the gardens which would make them a very positive addition to the park. We have done that with some of the CDA gardens.

So please register my vote in favor of both garden sites within Rennebohm Park. As a neighbor I would like to see what is being grown, would like to give local residents the chance to grow their own food and would like to include this use into our park. Let me know if I can offer any further help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kelly Thompson-Frater,

[REDACTED] Waushara Circle in the Hill Farms neighborhood

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From: **Mary Southwick** <[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Jan 20, 2016 at 9:46 AM

Subject: Re: Sheboygan Community Garden - transportation to public meeting

To: Cindy Statz <coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org>

My thoughts are with everybody from Sheboygan Gardens. Hope the hearing goes well. Unfortunately I am not in Wisconsin in the winter. Will return in early April. I am very interested in continuing to garden. Remembering how much work it was to bust the old garden down, I assume there will be a lot of work in April. You can count on me and my garden buddy Mary Pinkerton. Sincerely Mary Southwick

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From: **Yogananda Markandeya** [REDACTED]  
Date: Mon, Jan 18, 2016 at 11:47 AM  
Subject: Application for the community gardening site  
To: coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org

Hi Cindy Statz,

I am interested in joining sheboygan community garden. Please see the attached application form with this e-mail. I really appreciate your effort and help in getting community gardening space.

Thank you

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Yogananda S. Markandeya  
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From: **Sarah Rankin** <[REDACTED]>

Date: Mon, Jan 18, 2016 at 6:53 AM

Subject: Re: Sheboygan Community Garden - transportation to public meeting

To: Cindy Statz <coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org>

Cc: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], [REDACTED], Dawn Springer

[REDACTED]

Cindy- I am unable to attend the meeting on Thursday , January 21,2016 re: the Garden.

I wish to be counted as a supporter and a participant in any proposed relocation.

Sarah Rankin

Sent from my iPad

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From: **Mary Malischke** [REDACTED]  
Date: Sat, Jan 16, 2016 at 7:41 PM  
Subject: Sheboygan garden survey  
To: Cindy Statz <coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org>

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\_\_\_ Mary Malischke, [REDACTED] Bayfield Terrace

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[REDACTED]

3. Do you have any concerns or suggestions regarding a community garden at this site?

I think this is a great idea.

What about the area in Rennebohm Park to the right of the path as you face the park from Regent St past the soccer field near the trees? \_\_\_\_\_

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From: **rose\_link@sbcglobal.net** [REDACTED]

Date: Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 9:30 AM

Subject: Rennebohn Park Garden Plan

To: coordinator@sheboygancommunitygarden.org

Hi Cindy, I definitely support your efforts to establish a community garden at Rennebohn Park. Geren sent the information to me. If you need any further support, i.e. letters, calls, let me know [REDACTED] or Rose M. Link, [REDACTED] Pheasant Branch Road, Middleton, 53562 [REDACTED]  
Rose