

Overview of FPC duties/responsibilities

The FPC shall act in an advisory role to the Mayor and Common Council, developing and making recommendations on food policy changes and monitoring implementation relative to reducing hunger through providing community-wide access to food; enhancing the local and regional food economy; creating an economically, socially, and environmentally sustainable local food system; and improving the health and nutrition of the community through local, healthy food options. The FPC shall have the following responsibilities:

- a) Make recommendations to the Mayor and Common Council on ordinances, policies, and budgetary items that have an impact on the food system.
- b) Direct city staff to develop policies related to the food system based on research, input, and advice from the community.
- c) Solicit input from experts and citizens within the food system and lead discussion on various topics in order to inform policy recommendations.
- d) Set benchmarks for city departments to reach within a certain time frame to evaluate city progress.
- e) Create working groups or subcommittees as necessary to facilitate collaboration among stakeholders and to provide further support on policy recommendations.
- f) Review recommendations from the Dane County Food Policy Council and the City of Madison Ad Hoc Local Food Committee.