

Community Gardens Committee
Responses to Staff Recommendations
Legistar #39335

2. No Objection to adding the word “could” -- but access to water, proximity to the street and location on a winter road salt route may make growing food along Vernon Boulevard problematic.

3. No Objection to adding the word “potential” – it just amplifies the speculative and long-term characteristics of the Karen Arms recommendation.

6. Support PBMVC’s recommendation. It underscores critical elements in the Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden situation – the need to find a location within a reasonable distance of the multi-family housing area of the neighborhood to minimize transportation challenges that could become cost, equity & access issues.

7. Remove the words “or private” and “or near” to preserve the intent of this general recommendation that space for community gardens should be found on public land within the neighborhood.

8. No Objection to noting that the Garner Park list is not in ranked order.

10. Consider creating three separate recommendations for Rennebohm Park, to reflect staff’s suggestions more clearly and facilitate implementation:

Follow the public process established in 2012 to review current and potential new recreational uses when considering locating community gardens in parks.

Determine possible future uses in the stormwater drainage area located on the eastern end of the park.

Update the Rennebohm Park Master Plan.

11. Object to some of the assumptions made in staff’s explanation; locating a community garden in Rennebohm Park may not remove any existing recreational functions or necessarily require major capital improvements. **Agree** that additional discussion, analysis and public input is necessary, and suggest utilizing the existing process for “Siting Gardens in Parks” noted in #10 above.

Respectfully submitted by Nan Fey, co-chair
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