Resolution #42079 – Exploration of Garden Options in Hill Farms Neighborhood Area Committee Recommendations Tracking Document

Community Gardens Committee – March 22nd

The CGC unanimously recommended approval with the following changes:

WHEREAS, additional private lands, such as land in University Research Park, are also in need of further discussion and analysis; (adding a comma after the word Park)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that city staff explore the aforementioned land options and any others (including private land) that may be possible in the general area in and near the University Hill Farms Neighborhood for new community garden locations; (removing a redundant word for)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff should research the cost, soil conditions, water access, sun exposure, and other important factors of locating garden space with the goal of replacing the land lost in the Hill Farms state redevelopment on Sheboygan Avenue; (removing an extra space after the word research and adding the underlined phrase taken from the title of the Resolution)

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that equity, land security, <u>safety</u>, accessibility, <u>and competing uses</u> should be considered in <u>the</u> any staff report on each potential garden space; (adding the underlined words and replacing the word any)

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that any new garden sites determined to be feasible will <u>then</u> follow a full public process to engage the community, identify potential gardeners, and design site specifics prior to any formal approval; (adding the word then)

BE <u>IT</u> FINALLY RESOLVED, that city staff shall prepare the said report and present the findings to the Common Council and any relevant city committees no later than October 1, 2016. (adding the word IT)

Board of Public Works – April 6th

The Board unanimously recommended approval.

Board of Parks Commissioners – April 13th

The Commission unanimously recommended approval of the resolution with the incorporation of all recommended changes by the Community Gardens Committee.

Madison Food Policy Council - May 4th

The Madison Food Policy Council unanimously recommended approval of the resolution with the changes suggested by the Community Gardens Committee with the addition of the following changes that will be formed into a second substitute for Common Council considersation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that city staff shall explore <u>the aforementioned</u> land options <u>and any others (including private land) that may be possible</u> in the general area in and near the University Hill Farms Neighborhood for <u>potential space</u> new community garden<u>s</u> <u>locations</u> <u>space</u>; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that **equity** land security, <u>safety</u>, accessibility, and <u>competing uses</u> should shall be evaluated by staff for each potential garden space; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that staff should shall also analyze the demographics of the neighborhood surrounding potential sites to consider the people that each garden space may serve, including an rough estimate of the proximity of each potential location to people of color, low-income individuals, elderly, and disabled persons that are in need of accessible garden space; and,

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that city staff shall prepare a full report on the above items, including a short list of feasible sites, and present its findings to the Common Council and any relevant city committees <u>as soon as possible</u>, but no later than October 1, 2016; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that any garden sites determined to be feasible in the staff report will then follow be subject to a public process to engage the community <u>in a full equity</u> <u>analysis</u>, <u>identify potential gardeners</u>, <u>and design site specifics prior to any formal</u> <u>consideration of approval</u> by the Common Council and/or the relevant city committee/commission.

Upcoming Meetings:

Common Council - May 17th