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Re: Letter of Support for Urban Roots at Winnebago Lane

Dear Honorable Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Council Members,

The Southeast Combined Neighborhood Plan Contact Team (SCNPCT) met during our regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, June 12, 2017, with Max Elliot, Executive Director with Urban Roots.

Mr. Elliot spoke with the Contact Team membership on the vision of the Urban Roots leadership for a long-term home on the city-owned property located on Winnebago Lane in Southeast Austin. Mr. Elliot proposed this location for their farm will create more paid opportunities for young people and an increased access to healthy, affordable produce.

At the conclusion of the presentation and after Mr. Elliot answered questions from the floor, the Contact Team membership voted unanimously to support this initiative. The membership feels this initiative is compatible with our Combined Neighborhood Plan. Urban Roots would provide an enhanced educational and social skills learning environment with pay for our youth as well as volunteer opportunities for our community residents. The Contact Team noted having access to health and affordable produce would provide an additional and much needed benefit in our area.

We respectfully submit our letter of support for Urban Roots and would welcome them to our community. Your consideration of our support for this initiative would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your time and please let us know if you should have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ana Aguirre, Chair

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