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TO: Austin City Council

FROM: Marla Camp, Chair 
Austin/Travis County Sustainable Food Policy Board

DATE: April 26, 2010

SUBJECT: Support for Sustainable Urban Agriculture Program Coordinator City of Austin FTE recommendation - Resolution No. 2009119-065

By action at its regularly scheduled April 26, 2010 monthly meeting, the Sustainable Food Policy Board (SFPB) strongly supports the recommendation by the cross-departmental team of City of Austin (COA) staff members to create a COA FTE to serve as the related single point of contact in the City, coordinating the establishment and oversight of sustainable community gardens and urban farms and implementing the recommendations the city council approves related to Resolution No. 20091110-065.

The SFPB would also like to acknowledge the extraordinary leadership and accomplishments of the many staff members who came together from diverse city departments to ensure that the goals of the resolution are reached effectively, particularly recognizing Parks & Recreation Department representative, Margaret Russell.

The SFPB is voicing support for the FTE prior to the final report to council on this resolution due to the fiscal impact this recommendation will have that will need consideration in the budget process.

cc: H.G. (Bert) Lumberras, Assistant City Manager
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