

COUNCIL AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

To: Members of City Council

Date: February 17, 2008

Council Date: February 19, 2009

RE: *Community Gardens Zoning*

Rationale: Community gardens are being started in many cities across our country. A garden has been operational in Bartlett Park for several months with a temporary permit. There are a number of other locations in the city that are considering starting similar gardens. Our zoning code does not contain provisions for these gardens. There are many positive results of these gardens including: community building, local food, cheaper food for families under financial stress and anti-crime impacts caused by positive activity.

Action Requested:

Please refer to Public Services and Infrastructure for a discussion of which zoning categories would be appropriate for these gardens and what requirements should be in place.

Karl Nurse
City Council Member