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November 30, 2009
Scott Kolwitz, Senior Planner
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130 Cremona Drive
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Re: Fairview Gardens December Progress Report

Dear Scott:

The following is our November Progress Report for the Fairview Gardens CUP.

Production of the Farm's annual Appeal Letter has been written and will be ready for mailing this month.

Active work with Dennis Thompson for preliminary plans of a new Produce Stand has begun and progresses. The Staff and Board will consider additional design options and must calculate their costs. Fundraising is the sole source to fund this project.

The prospect for moving the probationary Executive Director forward did not succeed. The Board has directed the executive director search committee to proceed again.

The Board and Staff continued its work on the 2010 Farm Budget during the month of November. The Board and Staff discussed the produce stand enterprise and its vital importance to the economy of the farm.

Phase 5 is the only phase that remains to be completed. A detailed progress report for Phase 5 and fundraising follows:

Phase 5

Architect Dennis Thompson created a design concept for the Phase 5 permanent housing project. This was submitted to DRB on January 27, 2009 and received Conceptual Review. The project is off the DRB's calendar for the next one to two years, until such time that the Fairview Gardens has raised enough funds to move Phase 5 forward within a reasonable timeline.

Monthly Fundraising Accomplishments

Private Donations (Secured): \$1325

*Monthly Funds Raised: None recorded in the month of November, 2009

Total Fundraising Accomplishments

* since C.U.P. issuance (7/1/08)

Private Donations (Secured): \$ 78,896

*Total Funds Raised to Date: \$361,896

*Grant Pending – One Month: \$10,000.

*Due to economic cutbacks affecting staff changes, fundraising efforts have been briefly put on hold until shortly after the first of the year when the board will grow by one and the Executive Director search has concluded.

In-Kind Contributions

- Suzanne Elledge Planning and Permitting Services (Planning Services)
- Thompson Naylor Architects (Architectural Services, Discounted Rate)
- Victor Schumacher (Architectural Services)
- Allen Associates (Project Management, Potential Builders, Discounted Rate)
- Penfield and Smith (Survey and Engineering Services)
- Wilson Environmental Landscape Design (Landscape Design)
- Phillip Seymour (Legal Counsel)
- Dennis Elledge (Building Contractor / Project Management)
- Matt Dobberteen (Planning Fees)
- Marborg Industries (Waste Management, Discounted Service)
- Hayward Lumber (Materials Donation/Discount)
- Harriet Eckstein (Graphic Design)

As always, the farm board and management are meeting regularly to work on strategizing and fundraising for the remaining Phase Five. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,
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