

April 2, 2012

Scott Kolwitz, Senior Planner
City of Goleta – Planning & Environmental Services
130 Cremona Drive
Goleta, Ca 93117

Re: Fairview Gardens April 2012 Quarterly Progress Report

Dear Scott:

The following is our April 2012 Quarterly Progress Report for the Fairview Gardens CUP.

Spring has brought with it a move into more stable territory for us. Now that our fruit trees are gone, we have put that land into vegetable production and we are looking forward to a good spring and summer season.

This winter, being exceptionally dry, has been a challenge. We choose summer crops that do well with less water (like our dry farmed tomatoes), and winter crops that take more water go well with our rainfall. With so little rain, we have had to water a lot. With the changes we have made to the farm, this forced us to upgrade some of our irrigation equipment sooner than we were anticipating.

Our farm stand is under construction and we are hoping to be open in the beginning of May. We are excited to bring our farm stand up to a better standard and to once again be able to provide our community with a source of local, organic food.

Our Board of Directors has continued to grow and to shrink. Our beloved founding board member: Selma Rubin passed recently. She will be missed!

We have added two new board members since our last report: Matt Buckmaster, owner of our local Island Seed and Feed has joined our board, as well Krista Harris, editor and publisher of edible Santa Barbara has joined our board.

Our education programs continue to grow and we have added a cooking series in partnership with Goodland Kitchen. We will also be hosting a Permaculture Design Course starting in May taught by world renowned teacher Toby Hemenway (author of Gaia's Garden).

Our progress report on Phase 5 fundraising follows:

Total Fundraising Accomplishments since C.U.P issuance (7/1/08):

Beginning Balance	\$3,382.74
Total Funds Raised to	\$332,667.24

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Total Funds	\$332,667.24
Expended to Date for Phases 1 – 5:	
Total Funds Available for Phase 5 Completion:	\$3,382.74
Total Estimated Cost for Phase 5 Completion:	\$1,410,682.00
Total Funds Needed for Phase 5 Completion:	\$1,407,299.26

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)
- Martin Camp (Carpentry and Construction)
- Mr. Pink the Computer Shrink (Technical support)
- Susan Moriarty (Legal Counsel)
- Staples Construction
- Jay's Landscaping
- Peter Elliott Construction

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,
 Mark Tollefson
 Executive Director
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