

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Community & Economic Development Committee (CEDC)

FROM: Matt Rehbein, Economic Development Specialist

CC: Karen Harkness, Community and Economic Development Director

Monica Klaeser, Deputy Director, Community & Economic Development

DATE: April 25, 2014

RE: Market Garden Final Report and Extension of Memorandum of Understanding

Since 2011, the CEDC has approved an annually renewable agreement with the Community Garden Partnership, a program of Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin, to establish a Market Garden program in Southpoint Commerce Park.

The 2013 growing season was successful for the Market Garden. Alex Tyink, Executive Director of Community Garden Partnership, presented the results to CEDC in December 9, 2013. The report provided is attached.

City staff have met with the Community Garden Partnership to discuss a one-year extension of the same terms of this Memorandum of Understanding. A complete copy of the current Memorandum of Understanding is attached for reference. Staff would encourage the CEDC's and Common Council's approval of this one-year extension.

Please contact me at 920-832-6468 or <u>matthew.rehbein@appleton.org</u> with any questions and thank you for your consideration.

Staff Recommendation:

The City of Appleton shall enter into a one-year extension of the Memorandum of Understanding for Southpoint Commerce Park Market Garden with Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin.