



TO: City Of Appleton Dept. of Public Works
Attn: Paula VanDehay (For presentation at 5/24/2016 DPW Meeting)

FROM: Joe Sturm, Fox Valley Nursery, Inc.
RE: The Marigold Mile planting flowers in W. Prospect Ave. terrace near S. Oneida St.

Dear Paula,

On behalf of The Marigold Mile we are requesting permission to begin planting marigold flowers this spring/summer of 2016 in the terrace area along the N. side of Prospect Avenue from the stop light at S. Oneida and continuing to the West for approx. 315 ft. to the E. property line of the residence located at 230 W. Prospect Ave.

Please see the attached Aerial Map View copied from Outagamie Co. Land Information website.

The reasoning of utilizing this initial area being planted is multi purposed.

First, we have hopes to eventually include the Prospect Avenue corridor as part of the Marigold Mile planting project when the S. Oneida St. Reconstruction project takes place and thereafter. This would be a nice introduction to the Homeowners, Pedestrians and passing traffic of things to come.

Second, The Marigold Mile, (represented through Alderman Joe Martin) has pledged to take part in back-filling the soil into the new terraces along the S. Oneida St. reconstruction project as needed for future flower plantings. This soil will be made up of an engineered recipe containing "bio-solid based compost" being donated & now stored at the Out. Co. Landfill. The exact recipe needs to be determined by way of test-planting with different mixes & this Prospect Ave. terrace would suffice well for the experiment. The existing Prospect Ave. soil would be dug out & recycled by Marigold Mile Volunteer's & Fox Valley Nursery under my Direction. A two year study will ensue & the best results will be reflected in the back-fill mix on the new S. Oneida St. terraces.

Fox Valley Nursery Inc. will be responsible to obtain all necessary Street Occupancy Permits, call Diggers Hotline in advance, provide proper signage & safety equipment as well as coordinate with City Officials to avoid peak traffic times & conflict with other projects or programs. No special physical or financial help is being requested from the City Of Appleton & we assure a clean project with a guarantee of restoration to original condition if necessary. Certificates of Liability Insurance will also be provided upon request.

It is our hope that your Department will support us in this endeavor to further beatify our community with the expanded planting of "Appleton's Official Flower" *The Marigold*, as proclaimed by Mayor Hanna last February.

Thank You For Your Consideration & Valuable Time In This Matter,

Joe Sturm, President/Co-Owner of Fox Valley Nursery, Inc.
Treasurer/Community Relations Chair for The Marigold Mile

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TO: Brian Kreski, City Of Appleton Environmental Program Coordinator

FROM: Joe Sturm, Fox Valley Nursery Inc. & The Marigold Mile

RE: Bio-Solid Compost Request for use in engineered soil recipe (Experimental Trial in W. Prospect Terrace).

Hello Brian,

As per our conversation and attached documentation, we are requesting your assistance in developing an acceptable engineered soil recipe for the eventual use in the future terraces of the proposed/planned S. Oneida St. Reconstruction Project. Experimental terrace is approx.. 315 lin. Ft. by 12 inches wide & deep equating to approx. 12 cubic yards of finished material. The future S. Oneida St. project measures 4185 lin. Ft. calling for 155 cu. yds. after mixing. The proposed recipes will be utilized & studied for two or more years along W. Prospect Ave. & other areas if the City approves the use of these areas at the next DPW meeting on 5/24. Your input at this meeting would be valued & your support appreciated. These trial results may prove very instrumental in future use & sales of the Bio-Compost to Landscape Contractors such as Fox Valley Nursery.

#1) Light Mix, Straight Bio-Compost, (just as it comes off the pile, no additives but tilled up for planting.

#2) Basic Mix, 50% Bio-Compost, 50% Topsoil.

#3) Manure Mix, 50% Bio-Compost, 50% Petersons Manure Compost.

#4) Engineered Mix, 70% Bio-Compost, 10% Petersons Manure Compost, 10% Topsoil, 5% Sand, 5% 3-B Mix.

#5) Heavy Mix, 25% Bio-Compost, 25% Petersons Manure Compost, 25% Topsoil, 25% Sand.

Other?

Soils to be pre blended, shredded, treated equally by Tom VanHandel Co. & shall be installed & planted/watered simultaneously with no liquid fertilizer the first year. Growing conditions to be monitored along with moisture suspension in drought & wet times & recorded with comments bi-weekly .

Thank You,

Joe

Joe Sturm, President/Co-Owner FVN Inc.

Treasurer/Community Relations Chair of The Marigold Mile

