

MEMORANDUM

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TO:	Community & Economic Development Committee (CEDC)
FROM:	Matt Rehbein, Economic Development Specialist
CC:	Karen Harkness, Community & Economic Development Director Monica Stage, Deputy Director, Community & Economic Development
DATE:	April 13, 2016
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 2015 growing season was successful for the Market Garden. Anne Dobkoski, Garden Coordinator for Goodwill Grows, will make a presentation at the April 13, 2016 Community and Economic Development Committee meeting.

City staff have met with the Community Garden Partnership to discuss a three 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 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 three year extension of the Memorandum of Understanding for Southpoint Commerce Park Market Garden with Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin.