

Access to Healthy Food

Goals and Policies | **PROPOSED DRAFT**

GOAL AF 1 **Food Access:** Increase access to healthy, fresh, and affordable food.

- POLICY AF 1.1 **Personal Gardens.** Integrate opportunities into residential and mixed-use development for personal gardening for consumption, education, and limited sales or donation purposes.
- POLICY AF 1.2 **Farm Animals.** Allow the keeping of a limited number of animals in residential areas to produce food for personal consumption, limited sales, or donation purposes, where compatible* with the neighborhood and as allowed in the Municipal Code.
- POLICY AF 1.3 **Farmers Markets.** Support the retention and expansion of farmers markets* to encourage community building, support, regional agriculture, and foster economic development.
- POLICY AF 1.4 **Community Gardens.** Allow for the establishment and maintenance of publicly-available community gardens* near residential areas or in areas with good access to transit.
- POLICY AF 1.5 **Community Supported Agriculture.** Accommodate compatible itinerant or periodic uses providing access to food opportunities in neighborhoods, such as Community Supported Agriculture* distribution points.
- POLICY AF 1.6 **Food Access Programs.** Support efforts of schools, local organizations, property owners, the private sector, and other agencies to expand access to healthy food.
- POLICY AF 1.7 **Food Systems Plan.** Develop and maintain a citywide Food Systems Plan*.



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* Asterisks indicate terms with specific definitions included at the end of this section.

DEFINITIONS

Community Garden: Land used by multiple users for the cultivation of fruits, vegetables, plants, flowers, or herbs for personal use, consumption, donation, or limited occasional sale, often arranged into individually-managed plots.

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA): A farm operation supported by a group of individual or household member shareholders providing mutual support, and sharing the risks and benefits of food production. Members typically pledge in advance to cover the anticipated costs of farm operations, and in return are granted a share in the crop yield. Distributions to members are often regularly-scheduled and are either delivered directly or made available for pickup.

Compatible: The ability of adjacent uses to exist together without significant discord or disharmony.

Farmers Market: An open-air market, often seasonal, where fresh fruits, produce, flowers, and related value-added products such as jams, jellies, sauces, and baked goods are sold by food producers and artisans directly to consumers.

Food Systems Plan: A community-wide plan that examines issues and sets policies concerning local food production, processing, distribution and access, consumption, resource use, and waste management, as well as associated supporting activities and regulatory institutions.

REVIEW HISTORY

Date	Reviewed By
12.1.15	Internal Committee Meetings – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
12.10.15	Technical Advisory Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
2.18.16	Citizen Advisory Committee – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>
7.13.16	Planning Commission – <i>Comments Incorporated</i>

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